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Israel rejects PLO as partner in peace

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Israel has rejected King Hussein's bid to inject the PLO into the peace process. Israel's rejection of the PLO as a potential partner in peace is fully consistent with its long stated policy.

King Hussein, having reconvened his parliament and having named a new cabinet with greater Palestinian representation, took one tentative step closer last week to act on behalf of the Palestinians by urging the PLO to join in a "dialogue" with him.

Appealing to the "free and legitimate" PLO to help Jordan do its "duty to Jerusalem, Palestine and its people," King Hussein, in effect, urged PLO chairman Yasser Arafat to resume the negotiations he conducted with him prior to last April.

For approximately six months, Arafat and Hussein — once bitter enemies — discussed the possibility of using President Ronald Reagan's 1982 peace plan as a basis for an Arab-Israeli settlement.

Reagan's proposals, which had been turned down by Israel and the PLO, envisage an association between Jordan and the PLO on the West Bank, and a moratorium on the building of new Israeli settlements there.

The Arafat-Hussein talks broke down in 1983 after radical elements within the PLO forced Arafat to try a more extreme approach to the Palestinian problem. Hopes for a resumption of Jordanian negotiations with Arafat soared after he was expelled from Lebanon by pro-Syrian dissidents, and met with Egypt's president, Hosni Mubarak (whose nation was readmitted to the Islamic Conference Organization last week).

Mubarak, in the past, has advocated an Israeli-PLO rapprochement.

Jordan, which in 1974 recognized the PLO as the "sole and legitimate" representative of the Palestinians, reentered the Middle East diplomatic arena earlier this month by reviving its long-dormant parliament, some of whose

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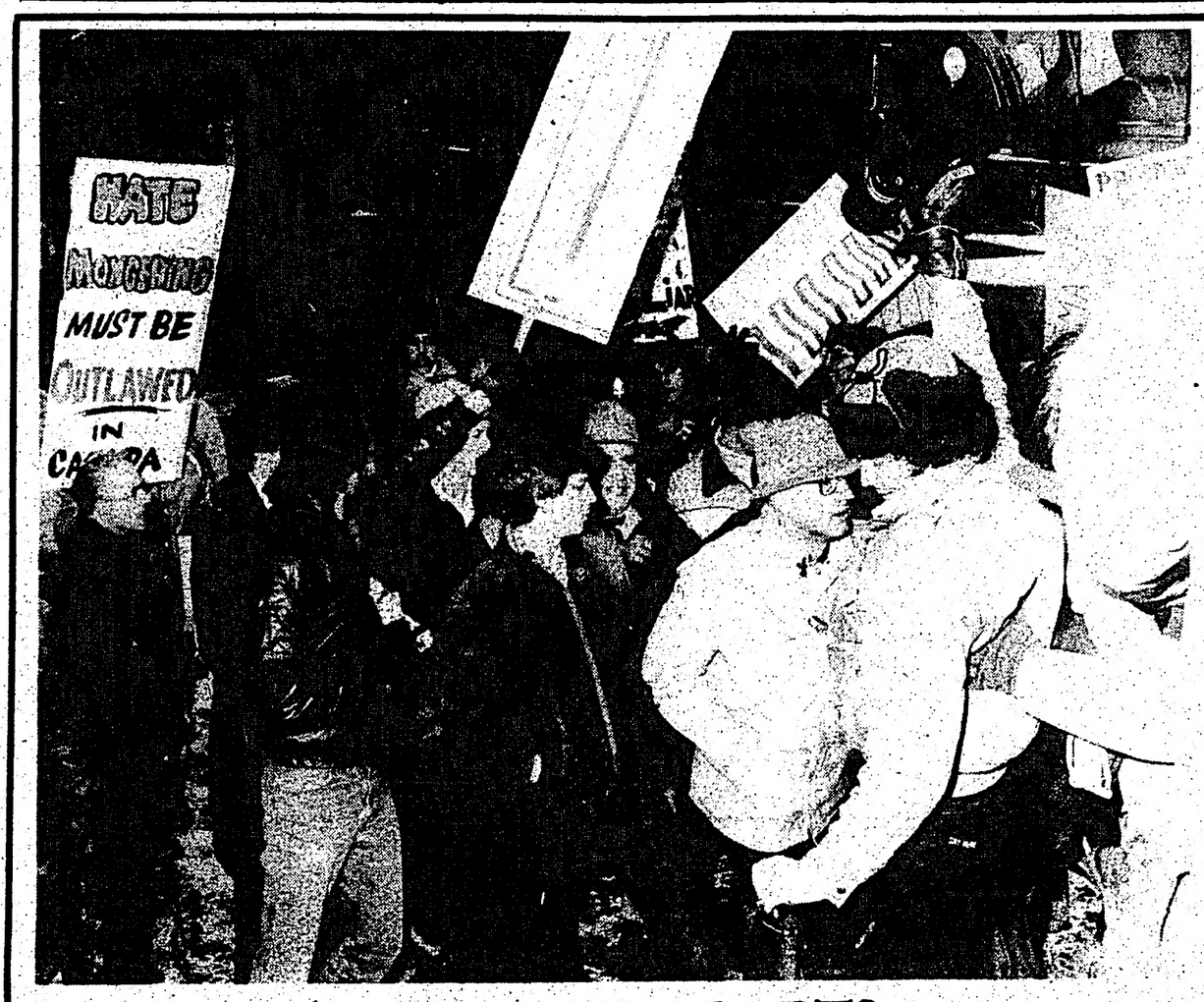

VIOLENCE ERUPTS

Hearing for Ernst Zundel, charged with spreading false information, erupted in violence last week between his followers and Jewish Defence League supporters. Zundel is in hard hat, centre. See story on page 13.

Reaches "alarming proportions"

UN arena for anti-semitism

UNITED NATIONS [UPI] —

Israel charged last week that anti-semitism has reached alarming proportions at the United Nations and the organization has become one of the world's foremost arenas for enmity against Jews.

Israeli ambassador Yehuda Blum, in a long letter to Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, said anti-semitism at the United Nations was largely to blame for the resurgence of the phenomenon around the world.

Using quotations from speeches made during debates at the recent 38th General Assembly, Blum accused some Arab and Soviet bloc representatives of hiding "their enmity against the Jewish people behind a smokescreen of antagonism to Zionsim.

"The 38th session of the General Assembly was characterized by a further intensification of this sinister phenomenon, thus converting the United Nations into one of the foremost arenas for the operation of international anti-semitism," Blum said.

Anti-semitism had "reached . . . alarming proportions at the United Nations," he said.

For example, Blum quoted Iranian ambassador Rajaie-Khorassani, who on Nov. 2 "expressed, with reference to Israel, his hope that the Moslem countries in the area will soon consider the final solution . . . the Nazi code name for the genocide perpetrated against the Jews of Europe during World War II."

Blum criticized what he called "the absence of any reaction" by officers in the UN General Assembly and its committees when "anti-Zionist and anti-Israel" attacks were made.

Late last year, for example, Blum said Perez de Cuellar issued an unusual rebuke to Libyan ambassador Ali Treiki for remarks that

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Currency restrictions imposed

Harsh steps taken

TEL AVIV [JTA] —

As Israel continued to reel under a wave of slowdowns and strikes prompted by austerity measures, the nation was hammered by strict new foreign currency restrictions that went into effect last week.

The severe regulations applied to foreign currency holdings which many Israelis have relied on to offset the devaluing shekel.

The Bank of Israel banned Israelis from holding bank accounts outside the country or trading in foreign shares on stock markets abroad.

It also cut the foreign currency allowance Israelis can take with them on trips abroad from the equivalent of $3,000 to $2,000.

"The phenomenon we saw in the last years of people going abroad and bringing back large quantities of foreign goods did not seem especially healing to me and certainly contributed nothing to any of us," Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad said.

Cohen-Orgad said the new restrictions were aimed at narrowing Israel's record $5.1 billion balance of payments deficit and forcing Israelis to invest their money inside the country.

The harsh steps signaled an almost total reversal of the economic liberation program initiated by former Prime Minister Menachem Begin's government six years ago, in which Israelis could buy unlimited sums of foreign cash.

As of last weekend, the Israeli government was able to stave off a threatened total strike by granting wage hikes to civil servants as compensation for the record near 200% inflation.

An agreement signed last Thursday between the Treasury and Histadrut Trade Unions Federation gives each of the 60,000 civil servants a monthly raise equal to $43 for January, February and March. The current wage accord ends March 21.

Workers will also receive the equivalent of 57 cents a month for every year of seniority.

Railroad employees, tax collectors and defence ministry clerks, however, want higher wage adjustments and are continuing job actions. The 3,500 engineers at the government-owned Israel Aircraft Industries were scheduled to strike for a better deal.

It's not really a crisis

TEL AVIV [JTA] —

Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad told international Israel Bond leaders last week that Israel's present economic woes were not a "crisis" but merely a "transition."

Addressing a dinner of some 200 top Israel Bond leaders from the U.S., Canada, Latin America and other countries holding their conference in Israel he said: "Last October the government began switching the direction of the economy, to do something to narrow the balance of payments deficit. You have been hearing something of a crisis here, but I tell you it is not a crisis but only a transition.

"We have embarked on a program of controlled austerity, and in a year we shall turn that into a program of controlled rebirth of our economic growth."

The 200 Bonds leaders arrived in Israel for their 6-day conference here by the first direct international flight from New York to the new air base serving as Eilat's international airport.

George Burns candles to celebrate another one

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. –

George Burns celebrated his 88th birthday last weekend with a giant reception here at Bally's Park Place and Casino Hotel.

He was toasted royally by an audience of 1,200 women (there were no men allowed — except George).

The women were selected randomly among 50,000 people who bought sweepstake tickets to see his Friday night show. Burns' 1-hour solo performance included a song, dance and comedy routine.

The next night he did an encore show for 1,200 casino — invited guests. Introducing the versatile 88-year-old were Vanessa Williams — Miss America 1983, and Suzette Charles — Miss New Jersey 1983 and first runner-up in the recent Miss America contest.

In celebration of his birthday, Bally's Park also held a wedding cake cutting ceremony for Burns with Williams and Charles officiating.

Burns last performed at the Bally's Park in October 1982 and is booked in 1996 for two weeks at the Palladium.

Rabbi tosses hat in ring for presidency of CZF

TORONTO —

Rabbi Michael Stroh, rabbi of Toronto's Temple Har Zion and founding president of the Kadima Canadian Council of Reform Zionists, officially declared his candidacy for the presidency of the Canadian Zionist Federation last week.

He is the second person to announce his intention to run since Phil Givens of Toronto, CZP president for the past 11 years, recently indicated he would not seek a fourth term at the next national convention of the organization.

Neri Bloomfield, current chairman of the board of CZF, earlier this month announced that she would seek the post when the sixth national convention of the organization is held April 1 and 2 at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Montreal.

Rabbi Stroh

"I beleive in a CZF whose first priority is Israel and not the political interests of its constituent groups," declared Rabbi Stroh, when tossing his hat in the ring.

Stroh is a founding member of Artzenu, the "brit olamit" of International Reform Zionism.

He is the immediate past president of the Toronto Board of Rabbis and a past president of the Canadian Region of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

He is also chairman of the mitzvah task force of the National Reform Jewish Curriculum Project and editor of Shaarei Musar, a guide to Jewish ethics.

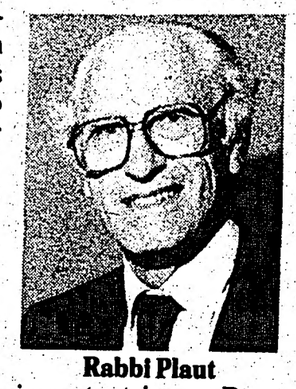
World-National

Jackson candidacy a dilemma

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

The coup which Rev. Jesse Jackson pulled when he got the Syrian president's agreement to let Lieut. Robert Goodman go free has provided a field day for the prognosticators of political fortunes.

Jewish organizations, too, were not so slow to get into the act. Even before Jackson's exploit an advertisement was placed in the New York Times proclaiming that no Jews should vote for Jackson, and a resolution to that effect was passed by a Jewish communal body on the west coast after Lieut. Goodman had been freed. These two pronouncements raise an important issue: Does the Jackson candidacy indeed have a "Jewish dimension?"



Rabbi Plaut

Jackson's record on matters pertaining to Israel is fairly clear: he has embraced Yasser Arafat; he has proclaimed his sympathy for the Palestinian cause; and he has spoken disparagingly of the "Zionist lobby" in the United States. This is the parlance of the Arabists and anti-Israel politicians of whom there is a plethora at the United Nations and an increasing number both in the United States and in Canada.

"Totally untrustworthy"

This is not a recent stance which Jackson has taken. My friends from Chicago tell me that he has all along promoted the Third World point of view and has identified the Palestinian cause with the interests of the exploited in both the United States and abroad, and has thereby reaffirmed a position adopted by many liberals and a significant portion of the Black population.

A former neighbor of Jackson's in Chicago described him to me a "charismatic figure," "totally untrustworthy," "the demagogue par excellence," "very dangerous." That would be enough for anybody!

But there is one aspect of the Jackson candidacy which presents Jews with a dilemma. This was brought into the open in a thoughtful article by Albert Vorspan, civil libertarian and vice-president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Black symbol of hope

He concedes that on the subject of Israel, Jackson has taken a negative position . . . to put it mildly. On the other hand, for better or for worse, he has become the symbol of hope and identity for America's Blacks. Suddenly one of their own is a highly visible candidate who makes headlines and is featured in the electronic media; who upstages the President at the White House; and who is suddenly taken seriously as a policy maker and candidate.

Says Vorspan: "In his way Jackson has advanced the cause of Black pride in the United States and abroad in a measure not seen since the days of Martin Luther King Jr."

Vorspan goes further and warns us that when Jews, **as Jews,** come out against Jackson they are exacerbating a tension that has existed for some time and are preventing the re-emergence of a Black-Jewish coalition that was functioning for the benefit of the United States for many years in the past.

In other words, he says, Jackson needs to **be criticized on the issues and on his record.** His views on Israel should be examined, as should his attitudes toward peace, the economy, America's role in the Mideast. But make sure that he does not appear to be rejected as a Black, at least in the eyes of minorities — a man who has suddenly emerged as their symbol of racial and ethnic pride.

American Jews will have to wrestle with this dilemma during the next few months, and so will the other Democratic candidates. Presidential election years are always full of surprises.

Begin pays tribute to Arab ally

Haddad's death a blow to Israel

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Church bells tolled in the Lebanese town of Marjayoun last week as Saad Haddad was laid to rest.

Israel's chief Arab ally in southern Lebanon, Haddad died of cancer at the untimely age of 47. Israeli dignitaries attended his funeral, and Menachem Begin broke a long silence to pay tribute to Haddad as "a Lebanese patriot loyal to his people with all his heart and soul."

No one doubts that Haddad's death was a blow to Israel. A Lebanese army officer who was branded a deserter and renegade by the authorities in Beirut, he joined forces with Israel in the 1970s and became Israel's most trusted Arab proxy in southern Lebanon.

In co-operation with the Israeli army, Major Haddad established a buffer zone in that region running from the Mediterranean Sea to the foothills of the Golan Heights. He called the enclave the Independent Republic of Free Lebanon, which no one but the Israelis recognized.

Haddad, who had been suffering from exhaustion in recent weeks, found out last year he was terminally ill. Treatment he received at Haifa's Rambam Hospital prolonged his life but did not eradicate the cancer which afflicted him.

Anyone who ever met Haddad, as I did, could tell that his burdens weighed heavily on his shoulders.

I met him on two occasions — once in 1979, in Metulla, the Israeli border village, and a second time last August, in Marjayoun. He was a slim, wiry man of medium height, with thinning rusty hair, a sallow complexion and a wary facial expression.

Despite his obvious fatigue, Haddad displayed an iron will and a steady determination when he submitted to interviews. One theme always dominated his talk: the need for Lebanese to reunite themselves in the face of their enemies.

For Haddad, who spoke fluent French and broken English, the foes were the PLO and Syria.

The PLO, he warned repeatedly, was a Trojan horse for the Soviet Union. It was a simplification of reality but he never stopped believing it.

Syria, he asserted, had territorial ambitions in Lebanon. Haddad, a Greek Catholic, spoke about a Greater Syria, encompassing Lebanon, Jordan and Israel, long before the term suddenly took on currency in the past six months.

The scion of landowners, Haddad began his career as an officer in the small Lebanese army, and received advanced infantry training in Fort Benning, Georgia.

Like many Lebanese Christians, Haddad resented PLO activities in his country, contending that Palestinian leaders were embroiling Lebanon in an unwanted conflict with Israel.

In response to PLO guerrilla raids, Israel attacked Lebanon by land and by air. The Lebanese army tried to control the PLO, but to no avail. In a clash with PLO guerrillas, Haddad was wounded, and the incident strengthened his resolve to fight the Palestinians.

Twelve years ago, he got his chance. An Israeli force which had entered Lebanon on a retaliatory raid lost its way somehow. Haddad gave the Israeli troops supplies and told them how to return to Israel. Israel never forgot his gesture.

In the mid-1970s, when the Israeli government started to establish close ties with the Christians of Lebanon, Haddad created a militia trained and supported by Israel. It was composed of Christians and Moslems and dedicated to fighting the PLO and helping Israel.

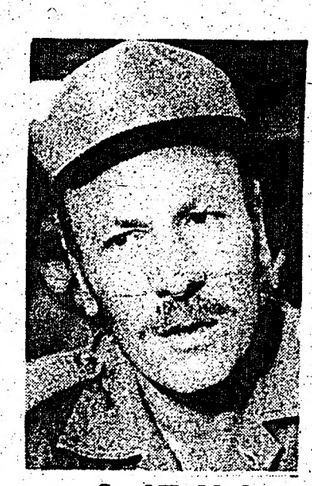
Haddad permitted Israel to build roads and artillery emplacements in the border enclave he controlled and supplied it with intelligence data as well. He even led reprisals against the PLO.

And the Lebanese government could do nothing to stop him because its authority was, for all intents and purposes, non-existent. In the wake of the 1975-76 civil war, Lebanon was more fragmented than ever.

Israel and Haddad cemented their relationship in June of 1978 when, after a 3-month occupation, Israel pulled its army out of Lebanon. The Israelis had invaded in March, following the coastal road massacre which left some 33 Israelis dead, the victims of a PLO terrorist assault. Israel had driven up to the Litani River, and having cleared that area of guerrillas, handed over the reins of power to Haddad.

A United Nations force — UNIFIL — was supposed to have taken up positions along the Israeli frontier. But Israel installed Haddad. And in spite of U.S. pressure, Israel did not let elements of the Lebanese armed forces establish any presence in the far south (where the Israeli army is now).

Neither UNIFIL, nor Haddad, were successful in eradicating the terror perpetrated by the PLO. More important, they failed to shake the foundations of the state-within-a-state PLO chairman Yasser Arafat had set up in southern Lebanon.



Saad Haddad

Prone to military solutions, Haddad urged Israel to invade again and destroy the PLO's infrastructure. He pressed this solution even harder on Israel in the aftermath of Israel's 2-week mini war with the PLO in July of 1981.

When Israel launched its invasion in June of 1982, Haddad and his 2,000 or so men welcomed Israeli armored columns. In Begin's only appearance in Lebanon, he "gave" Haddad the PLO's stronghold, Beaufort Castle, in something of a theatrical ceremony.

What kind of a role Haddad played in the Lebanese war is still subject to discussion. But his militia certainly manned roadblocks and performed policing functions.

After the Sabra and Shatila massacre, Palestinians blamed Haddad for the atrocity. But the Kahan Commission absolved him of any involvement.

Between 1982 and 1983, while Israel and Lebanon held discussions on a withdrawal agreement, Haddad extended his control up to the Awali River, now the site of Israel's defence line.

Reports indicated that Haddad would try to strengthen his militia, but they were overtaken by the May 17 pact, which provided Israel with security guarantees for its northern border and promised normalization of relations with Lebanon.

Under the agreement, Haddad's Free Lebanon militia was to be incorporated into the regular Lebanese army. However, President Amin Gemayel declined to let him be the ranking commander in the south.

Haddad was disappointed by the treaty, since it gave him an inferior role in the situation that was to be. But it was all theoretical, and still is, because Lebanon did not ratify the agreement. To this day, it remains a dead letter, frozen by Syria's animosity.

If Haddad had lived longer, Israel and Lebanon might have been able to bypass the May 17 agreement and work out an arrangement that would have enabled the Lebanese army to extend its influence southward and thereby have permitted Israel to leave that nation on a gradual basis.

Israel could well have been happy with this plan, because Haddad's loyal militia would have formed the core of the Lebanese army contiguous to the Israel border.

But with Haddad gone, the plan may be delayed indefinitely . . . or die on the drawing board.

Haddad was a charismatic, strong leader, and his passing has left a void in Israeli security and has possibly derailed peace efforts in Beirut . . . temporarily at least.

Haddad's death may also be portentous: he is the third pro-Israeli Arab of any significance to die in the past 2½ years. Anwar Sadat of Egypt and Bashir Gemayel of Lebanon, both of whom sought a peaceful accommodation with the Jewish state, were assassinated in 1981 and in 1982, respectively.

Anti-semitic violence drops 41% in U.S.

BOSTON [UPI] —

Anti-semitic violence in the United Sates dropped 41% in 1983, the second consecutive annual drop after three successive years on the rise, the Anti-Defamation League reported last week.

The civil rights organization reported 350 attacks, threats or cases of harassment involving Jews — including incidents involving arson or gunshots — during 1983, down from 593 in 1982.

Vandalism, including desecration of Torah scrolls, dropped 19.2% in 1983, from 829 incidents to 670, the statistics showed.

The decreases, after three years of sharp increases, were attributed to better law enforcement, stiffer penalties and improved education, the ADL said.

"I think it would be premature for people to consider the decrease as meaning the problem is solved," said Leonard Zakim, executive director of the ADL New England regional office.

"We've got a lot of work to do and there are still a lot of incidents that require the persistent effort of both the ADL and law enforcement."

Teen-agers represented 90% of the 115 people arrested in 55 incidents, closely paralling previous reports.

Zakim said that indicated "a sense on the part of juveniles that this behavior is somehow acceptable. These people are learning it somewhere, most likely in the home."

New York, New Jersey and California accounted for the majority of vandalism reports, which were received from 32 states and the District of Columbia. That was a drop from 35 states and the District in 1982.

Only increase in midwest

The northeast recorded 58% of all anti-semitic vandalism — but a 29% drop from 1982. Violence declined 28.8% over 1982.

The south recorded an 18.7% drop in vandalism and a 43.5% decrease in violence, while the west dropped 12.4% in vandalism and 51.3% in other attacks.

Only the midwest reported an increase in vandalism over 1982 — 11.1% — but recorded a 51.5% drop in violence.

The report noted no firm anti-semitic links have been made in three widely reported 1983 incidents.

New York police have been unable to establish motives for gunshots fired into buildings at Yeshiva University, a delicatessen frequented by its students, and at a moving car carrying students from Yeshiva University High School.

Bloomington, Ind., police suspect anti-semitism motivated a purported arson in a Jewish centre.

West Hartford, Conn., police arrested a Jewish teen in connection with a series of arson fires at a synagogue and at homes of a rabbi and a Jewish state legislator.

The report credited a drop in the national crime rate, the adoption of tougher laws against religious or ethnic vandalism in 16 states and stepped up attention to "bias crimes" for the decrease.

"While education is our best weapon against this type of bigotry, it's not fair to put the whole burden on the schools," Zakim said. "We need a firm approach from law enforcement and parents."

Buchwald honored at CIC dinner

Privilege to explain Israel's role to Canadians

TORONTO —

Making the case for Israel in Canada was a rare privilege, said Harold Buchwald, of Winnipeg, who served as national chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee for over four years.

Describing himself as "a passionate, chauvinistic Canadian," Buchwald said that explaining the role of Israel to Canadians was a service he was honored to extend on behalf of the Canadian Jewish community.

Canada-Israel relations are strong and good, he said and there are no fundamental differences between the two countries because "we understand each other so well."

Buchwald spoke last week at a dinner at Beth Tzedec arranged by the CIC to honor him on his retirement from the chairmanship. CIC board members and friends from all across Canada attended, including Employment and Immigration Minister John Roberts and Justice Minister Mark MacGuigan.

Anne Gross of Montreal, who took over the CIC chairmanship last fall, said Buchwald is "a proud Canadian and a proud Jew who is completely dedicated to Canada and to Israel — and to Canada-Israel relations. In the best of times and the worst of times he believes that Canada-Israel relations can be better and stronger and he will not spare himself to achieve that goal. He wears a Canada-Israel emblem on his lapel as if it were a noble decoration."

She added that the Canada-Israel Committee "was lucky to have you."

Milton Harris, national president of Canadian Jewish Congress, said a recent survey taken by Congress of attitudes in Canada shows that Canadians support the position of Israel against the Arabs by a 3 to 1 margin.

"This confirms," he said, "that we have been able to explain successfully to our fellow Canadians that Israel is the only democracy in the Middle East, that Israel is the only country in the Middle East with the same respect for human life as we Canadians, and that Israel is the only country in the world whose very existence has been continually threatened by its neighbors since its beginnings in 1948.

"Where we are today is very largely the result of the Canada-Israel Committee," Harris declared.

Among those attending CIC dinner honoring Harold Buchwald were, from left, Mark Resnick, Anne Gross, Mark MacGuigan, Harold and Dee Buchwald and Yitzhak Shelef. [Graphic Artists photo]

Harris paid tribute to Buchwald who, during his 4-year tenure of office "gave a substantial portion of his life to the CIC . . . Bucky overcame the handicap of distance [from the major Jewish centres] by his readiness to spend at least quadruple amount of travel time required by previous chairmen who all came from Toronto or Montreal."

Harris added that "it is my hope that Bucky's successful tenure as CIC chairman will send a message to our fellow Jews in the rest of Canada that we are prepared to select for national leadership the most capable in our national community — even if he or she happens to come from some place other than Montreal or Toronto."

Mark MacGuigan, who often had dealings with the CIC when he was external affairs minister, said that Buchwald served the Jewish community well. "We didn't always agree but we always had a civilized dialogue and great respect for each other."

MacGuigan added that as minister of justice he is still involved in matters of concern to the Jewish community, citing particularly Jim Keegstra, who is being prosecuted under a law "which I had a hand in drafting."

MacGuigan said "we know that Israel is the only democracy in the Middle East and that our future in the West depends to some extent on the fate of Israel."

Phil Givens, speaking for the Canadian Zionist Federation, said Buchwald was effective as chairman — "not with bombast but with dignity and subtlety."

Others who brought greetings were Yitzhak Shelef, on behalf of the Israeli embassy and Bill Morris, for B'nai B'rith Canada.

A presentation of an etching by Israeli artist Dubi Ari was made on behalf of the CIC to Mr. and Mrs. Buchwald by Mark Resnick, national director of the organization.

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: Does the Cohen have the first claim on the honor of leading us in saying grace after a meal? Do we need his permission before we can give this honour to another person?

When you look at the Siddur, you find that the man who leads us in the benshen must use a certain formula in which he asks the people to consent to his leading them in that grace. The words are: birshus maranan, ve-rabbanan, ve-rabbosai, which means: with the consent of the masters, rabbis, and gentlemen.

Rabbi Burak

Some who find the words rather difficult to translate into English leave them untarnished. Kasher, in his The Passover Haggadah (1950) had this problem, and got around it this way: "With the sanction of those present we will bless Him of whose bounty we have partaken."

No mention is made of the Cohen and nobody asks for his consent in all the siddurim and Birkat ha-Mazon booklets that I have consulted. But, that does not mean that it is correct to neglect him.

In Tractate Gittin, 59A-59B we find this rule: "A Cohen is called up first to read the Torah . . . What is the warrant for this? . . . A Tanna of the school of Rabbi Ishmael taught: 'And thou shalt sanctify him' (Leviticus Chapter 21:8) This implies that you give him precedence in every matter which requires sanctification, to open proceedings, to say grace first, and to choose his portion first." Since he says grace first and then chooses his portion first, it could be argued that the honor of saying the motzi belongs to him and not the privilege of leading the benshen. But, Rashi on Nedarim, 62B gives him primacy both for the motzi and for Birkat ha-Mazon.

That being so, is it really possible that the right of the Cohanim to lead us in grace after meals is not mentioned at all in our prayer books? It is mentioned in a very special place. When there is a Brith Milah, and it is followed by a meal, before one says the benshen one asks the Cohanim for permission to lead the service. This is sufficient proof for all other times.

At the Ottawa conference of the rabbinical cabinet for State of Israel Bonds, when Bond Leaders and rabbis met to talk about our responsibilities to Israel, during a break in the proceedings a distinguished rav from Western Canada discussed my proof with me and refused to accept it. He argued that what we have there is a little poem, and the poet needed a rhyme. Ha-Cohanim he-Levyim is very helpful in rhyming with the ending of the next line: Elokai ha-Ivryim.

The conjecture is a bright one.

The Code, however, does not support such an assumption. In the Code, O. H. Chapter 201:2, we are instructed that the Cohen should lead the benshen. The Magen Avraham cites our little poem, and says that depending on one syllable in the Hebrew about which there is some conflict, in the absence of a Cohen the honor belongs to the Levy if we accept the reading ha-Cohanim Ve-ha-Levyim.

All this is predicated on the Cohen being a religious gentleman who observes all the other rules. If he eats bread without washing for it, you don't need his permission for anything.

Kirkpatrick makes appeal to Soviets

U.S. seeks Wallenberg information

NEW YORK [JTA] — Jeane Kirkpatrick, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, called on the Soviet Union last week to provide information on the fate of Raoul Wallenberg, a Swedish diplomat who saved the lives of nearly 100,000 Hungarian Jews from Nazi death camps in World War II.

Kirkpatrick made the appeal at a ceremony in New York marking the 39th anniversary of Wallenberg's arrest by Soviet forces in Budapest. The event was sponsored by the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States in affiliation with the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

The committee believes that Wallenberg, now 71, is alive in a Soviet prison, despite statements by the Soviet Union that he died in 1947.

Appearing at the Swedish Seaman's Church in Manhattan, Kirkpatrick declared that Wallenberg was not arrested by "accident" because the Russians "knew full well who he was and what he was doing."

The real Soviet attitude toward the Swedish diplomat, Kirkpatrick said, was demonstrated in Budapest in 1948, four years after his arrest, when a statue honoring Wallenberg was removed from Budapest "because he stood for freedom."

The envoy read a statement issued by Secretary of State George Shultz in which he declared that the kremlin has a moral obligation to put to rest, once and for all, the question that continues to arise about Raoul Wallenberg. . . . "We call on the Soviet government to provide a full accounting of the fate of Raoul Wallenberg."

The secretary of state, speaking at the Stockholm East-West Conference on Security in Europe, noted reports from survivors of Soviet prison camps that the Swede is still alive in a camp or prison. Congress made him an honorary U.S. citizen in 1981.

Raoul Wallenberg

Kirkpatrick said she was sending Shultz' statement to UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar with the request that it be circulated among the entire UN membership "in connection with the General Assembly resolution adopted last month entitled Question of Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances."

Calling Wallenberg a "hero of our time," Kirkpatrick said he was a "symbolic figure whose work and fate dramatizes the central problem of our age, which is the problem of totalitarianism."

Kirkpatrick, cited three other American initiatives, two in the United Nations and one taken at the Madrid conference on the Helsinki Accords, urging the Soviets to provide details on Wallenberg's fate.

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BB remembers

TORONTO —

To commemmorate the anniversary of Raoul Wallenberg's arrest by the Soviet Union in January, 1945, B'nai B'rith Canada's League for Human Rights last week published a brochure telling the story of "the lost hero of the Holocaust."

"It is essential that we continue to press the Soviet authorities for the release of this righteous Gentile who saved thousands from extermination," stated David Matas, national chairman of the League for Human Rights. "Wallenberg is one of the greatest heroes of the 20th century, and should never be forgotten.

"The League for Human Rights will continue to educate the Canadian public about his remarkable deeds.

"In view of the exceptional value of his services to all mankind, the League calls upon the government of Canada to appeal to the Soviet Union to release this remarkable man."

The brochure was prepared as part of the League's educational program on Wallenberg. Other projects include screenings of Raoul Wallenberg: Buried Alive, a new film by Canadian director David Harel. Screenings will be held in Montreal on Feb. 22 and London, Ont., April 10, and have already taken place in Toronto, Calgary and Ottawa.

Concerned individuals should write to the State Committee of Defence, 2 Dzerhinski Place, Moscow, 10001.000 USSR indicating that he has not been forgotten and asking that he be freed.

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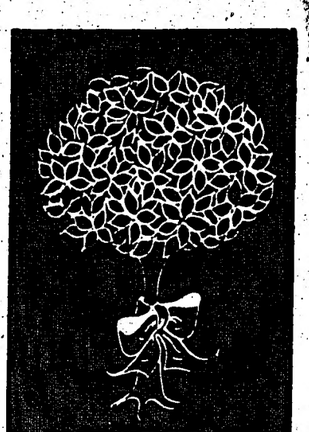

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MONTREAL — The sixth annual southern regional conference and reunion of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO will take place at the Doral Hotel, Miami Beach, on Monday, Feb. 27.

The keynote speaker will be Bernard Cherrick, executive vice-president of Hebrew University. Lily Frank, national executive vice-president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, will also participate. Conference chairman is Marcia Shapiro.

Cecily Peters

The newly-elected national president, Cecily Peters, who is presently in Israel attending the WIZO plenary and the actions committee meeting of the World Zionist Organization, will bring a report on these meetings and on the current situation in Israel.

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Few would change marriage plans

McGill completes its study on tay-sachs carriers

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Young adults who found out while teenagers that they are carriers of tay-sachs disease have taken that fact in their stride and most say it would not affect their choice of marriage partner.

These are the main findings of a 7-year follow-up on tay-sachs carriers detected in a high school screening program in Montreal between 1974-76. It was done by members of the McGill University-Montreal Children's Hospital Research Institute.

The program, which is continuing, is believed to be the largest systematic screening in the world for tay-sachs disease among high school students, having tested over 16,000 teen-agers since it began in 1974 in both Jewish and public schools.

This study is the first ever to follow up on the attitudes of those tested several years later.

Tay-sachs is a degenerative disease of the central nervous system which most often occurs among Ashkenazi Jews and is caused by a single gene defect. (Scientists have also discovered tay-sachs among a small number of French-Canadians in eastern Quebec.) It is always fatal and prevention of the birth of an affected child is the only way of avoiding its occurrence.

Strong support for early screening

The purpose of the follow-up study, headed by medical geneticist Dr. Charles Scriver, was to find out the emotional impact of knowing one is a carrier and how that knowledge has been used.

In November, 1982, a questionnaire was mailed to 264 persons who had been screened for tay-sachs between September 1974 and June, 1976. Eighty-three responded (38 carriers and 45 non-carriers). All were by then from 21 to 26 years old. The great majority were single (75%) but more carriers than non-carriers (32% vs. 16%) were among the married or engaged. There were, however, no carrier couples in this sample.

Only 19% of the carriers said they were worried now by their genotype and only 3% said they would change marriage plans if their fiance(e) was also a carrier.

"Our findings indicate that carriers and non-carriers alike see the problem of being a 'carrier couple' as more of an obstacle to others than it would be to themselves."

Previous studies elsewhere have indicated that tay-sachs carriers worried to the point of depression when they were told of their genetic status, and that they believed it would have a bearing on their choice of wife or husband.

There was almost unanimous support among both carriers and non-carriers in the Montreal study for genetic screening in high schools. All were happy that they had found out when they did.

Among the married ones, almost all of their spouses or fiances had undergone testing, and nearly every one of the single persons said they would want to know their partner's genotype before marriage.

Most said they want to learn more about developments in other forms of genetic screening and would participate in them.

"The respondents, now young adults, profess essentially positive opinions about the tay-sachs screening experience . . . carriers are using, or intend to use, the information gained from the screening experience in planning their families," the study says.

One in 27 Montreal Ashkenazi Jews carries the disease. Without screening, couples run a 1-in-3,200 risk of having a tay-sachs child. Because it is a recessive, genetic disease, both parents must be carriers. Carrier couples have about a 25% chance of producing an affected child.

One carrier couple, who were not part of this survey but who learned of their genotype in the high school program, sought genetic counseling in 1981, and following pregnancy had a prenatal diagnosis made on the fetus. They had a healthy baby.

One of the main reasons for reaching Ashkenazi Jews at high school age was that participation in Montreal by adults of child-bearing age in voluntary screening had never been substantial, say the researchers, and referral by physicians of couples before the first pregnancy has been "neither systematic nor universal despite efforts to have it so."

Discovered at this early age, carriers have time to overcome any initial worry about the test results and to choose options available to them to avoid having an affected child.

The Montreal researchers, noting the rather high outmigration from the city of those tested, are exploring the possibility of some kind of formal linkage of health records of the persons known to be at risk, in order that they can be informed of any new medical developments that may benefit them.

The tay-sachs program is part of the work of the Quebec Network of Medical Genetics, an organization doing the most complete voluntary screening in Canada of segments of the population at risk to several genetic diseases in addition to tay-sachs. Its personnel comes from the medical schools of McGill, Laval University, University of Montreal and University of Sherbourne, and is funded by a $1.25 million grant from the Quebec social affairs ministry.

The Montreal program has had a much higher participation rate (75%) of any reported tay-sachs screening program and the researchers believe this is due to high school students' desire to go along with their peers.

This study shows, as others elsewhere have, that physicians and rabbis are relatively poor advocates for tay-sachs screening.

Typical scene at a tay-sachs clinic held in major centres several years ago to determine carriers of this "Jewish disease."

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Victim slain at Peace Now demonstration

Israeli police arrest suspect in grenade killing

TEL AVIV [JTA] —

Police said in Jerusalem last week they had detained a man in connection with the murder a year ago of Emil Grinzweig and he would be formally charged with the murder.

Another man has also been detained and will be charged with selling the lethal army grenade to the alleged murderer. The second man is not implicated directly in the killing.

The prime suspect was identified as Yona Avrushmi, 28, formerly of the Neve Yaacov Quarter, and the second man was identified as David Shemtov, 20, also of Jerusalem.

The police inspector-general said there was no indication that other persons or bodies or organizations were implicated in the murder.

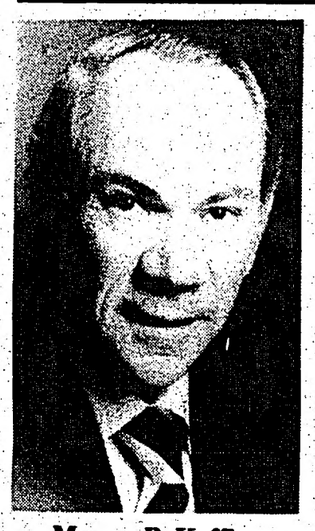
He said the reason for the murder appeared to have been "personal in connection with family matters connected with Israel's wars (in the plural)."

Details of the year-long investigation were given at a specially summoned press conference in Jerusalem, presided over by Interior and Police Minister Dr. Yosef Burg, the police inspector-general and senior police officers, including members of the special police team which "worked tirelessly, like ants," according to Burg.

The evidence against the suspect is circumstantial without the aid of a state witness, and was largely based on the work of undercover police agents and sophisticated computer analyses.

Emil Grinzweig was killed while attending a Peace Now demonstration near the Knesset on Feb. 10, 1983, shortly after publication of the Kahan Commission report I to the Sabra and Shatilla massacre. The demonstration called for the resignation of then Defence Minister Ariel Sharon, and was paralleled by another demonstration supporting Sharon.

A grenade was thrown at the Peace Now group. In addition to killing Grinzweig, it wounded 10 other people, including three policemen and Avraham Burg, a Peace Now member, son of Dr. Burg.



Murray B. Koffler

James F. Kay

Koffler again heads board

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science unanimously reelected Murray Koffler as chairman of the board and James Kay as president at the recent annual meeting at Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Kay told The CJN that programs planned for 1984 include a dinner honoring Dr. Charles Hollenberg, to be held April 12, and a lecture series.

Also on the agenda is a meeting of the international leadership of the organization in Mexico City, Feb. 29.

A meeting in Rehovot, Israel from May 10-17, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Weizmann Institute, will highlight the year's activities, Kay said. Two Chairs at the Institute's Canadian Centre for research into energies and applied research will be dedicated, honoring Chief Justice Bora Laskin and Raoul Wallenberg.

Other officers elected at the annual meeting are Tom Beck, Morris Belkin, Melvyn Dobrin, Hy Isenbaum, and Leo Perkell, all vice-presidents; Barrie Rose, treasurer and Jules James, secretary.

Joining the officers on the 19-member executive committee are Hugh Cameron, Morris Emer, Jacob Hendeles, Norman Kert, Morris Kerzner, Donald Loeb, Harry Solomon and Dr. Leo Yaffe. First-time members of the executive are John Greenberg of Ottawa and Dr. Aser Rothstein of Toronto.

Twenty-five vacancies on the board of directors were filled at the annual meeting, as seven new members joined the 18 returnees. Reelected to the board are Jack Aceman, Walter Bick, Hugh Cameron, Melvyn Dobrin, Neil Franklin, Irving Frisch, Jacob Hendeles, Jules James, James Kay, Morris Kerzner, Murray Koffler, Max Goldhar, Donald Loeb, Leo Perkell, Barrie Rose, William Singer, Dr. Leo Yaffe and Zeev Vered.

New additions to the board are Allan Blumanfald and Morris Belkin, both of Vancouver, Dr. Barnet Berris and William Glied, both of Toronto, Martin Goldberg, Peter Hershorn of Halifax and Dr. Sabina Ratner of Montreal.

Funds fight No. 1 killer

Heart Fund begins 84 campaign

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

You're jolted out of your sleep, and you mistakenly think you're suffering from an attack of indigestion.

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You might consider that when volunteer canvassers come knocking on your door next month, beginning the national fund raising campaign conducted annually each February by the Canadian Heart Fund.

The 1984 national objective is $22 million, with Ontario responsible for raising $9 million and Quebec $2.2 million.

During heart month, it's a good time to consider the end result of your donation — approximately 80 cents of every dollar you give being channeled into research to combat the heart and blood-vessel diseases which afflict nearly 3,000,000 Canadians.

More Canadians die of such heart and cardiovascular diseases (81,400) each year than from cancer (40,000) and accidents (15,740) and all other causes combined.

These diseases cost the Canadian economy $3 billion annually in lost production, wages, taxes and medical costs.

They are the enemy attacked by the Canadian Heart Foundation. The four major problems are arterio-sclerosis (hardening of the arteries), hypertension (high blood pressure), rheumatic heart disease and congenital heart defects. These diseases can lead to congestive heart failure, heart attack or stroke.

Everyone, from young children to great grandparents, has arteriosclerosis to a degree. It can begin early in life, but its development varies in individuals and it can be slowed by controlling the coronary risk factors.

It's never too late to reassess your lifestyle and cut down your risk. See your doctor for a blood pressure test — if it's high, it can be controlled with drugs or diet therapy.

Work on lowering your cholesterol level. A balanced diet low in cholesterol and saturated fats helps with overweight problems as well.

Stop smoking. By cutting out cigarets, the damage to smokers' hearts and lungs usually can be repaired, if the harm isn't too extensive.

Ask your doctor to help you plan a daily exercise program and stick with it.

BB commends Alberta for action on Keegstra

TORONTO —

B'nai B'rith Canada's League for Human Rights last week commended Alberta attorney - general Neil Crawford for laying charges against ex-Eckville high school teacher James Keegstra for allegedly promoting hatred of Jews.

Keegstra is liable to two years imprisonment if found guilty of violating Section 281.2 of the Criminal Code (CJN, Jan. 19).

David Matas, national chairman of the League, stated: "In view of the historical danger of hate propaganda and the link between hate propaganda and genocide, we feel that a criminal action is appropriate.

"The League hopes that, as a result of this case, other perpetrators of hatred in Canada will be brought to justice."

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ECKVILLE, Alberta —

The media spotlight is back on this small Alberta town as a result of charges laid against Jim Keegstra, former Eckville mayor and former high school teacher here.

Mary Andrew, a member of Eckville's new town council, said all was quiet here since Oct. 17 when Keegstra was turfed out of office as mayor in the municipal elections. But reporters, she said, are again hounding local residents about the Keegstra affair.

The woman who instigated the school board action to have Keegstra fired believes the charge laid against him by the attorney-general of Alberta is surprising and unnecessary. Susan Maddox, whose son was in Keegstra's grade 9 social studies class in 1982, told The Canadian Press last week she thought the investigation by the RCMP of the Keegstra affair was only a political maneuver by the government and she didn't expect charges to be laid.

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DIARY ...of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

Abba Hillel Silver was born Jan. 28, 1893. A master of fiery oratory and political pragmatism, he galvanized the U.S. community into throwing its critical resources into the creation of the State of Israel.

The plight of Germany's Jews, clamoring for refuge from Nazi persecution, and the struggle for independence by the Jews of Palestine, led to the Evian conference of 33 nations, in June, 1938. Nothing was resolved. Most countries, including the U.S. and Canada, refused to open their doors. The issue of Palestine was not even brought up, excluded by British pressure.

In the U.S., President Franklin Roosevelt and the state department, under Cordell Hull, continued to deflect mounting Jewish requests to try to persuade the British to ease their restrictions on immigration into Palestine. Condemnations of Nazi policy by Washington were accompanied by refusals to admit its refugees.

In early 1939, a bill endorsed by labor and religious groups to admit 20,000 refugee children under the age of 14 was quashed by the American Legion and Cordell Hull. At the same time, a new British white paper negated the Balfour Declaration by curtailing Jewish immigration to Palestine. Community leaders like Stephen Wise and Louis Brandeis accepted Roosevelt's quiet assurances of support, later proven to be unfounded.

Vague promises from political leaders, inertia, lack of cohesion, timidity, and fear of having their loyalty to America questioned combined to keep U.S. Jewry from mounting strong public pressure. Militant Revisionist Zionist leader Ze'ev Jabotinsky pleaded at a rally of 5,000 in New York for young Jews to form a special volunteer army to fight the Nazis, in March, 1940. U.S. Zionist figures, led by Stephen Wise, announced that "responsible Zionist leaders disassociated themselves from Jabotinsky's adventurous scheme."

The spell was broken some six months later, at a fund raising dinner in which guest of honor David Ben-Gurion, then head of the Jewish Agency, called for "a Jewish army to help Britain." Abba Hillel Silver, a Reform rabbi and a rising Zionist star, told the 1,500 delegates to "agitate, agitate, agitate, to employ boldness, more boldness and always boldness" in pressing for: an end to the white paper; the opening of Palestine to Jewish refugees; and a guarantee of independence for Jewish Palestine after the war.

The weight of the community had to be brought to bear on the administration to exert pressure on Britain, said Silver. The fear of "embarrassing" the president, of an anti-semitic backlash and of accusations of dual loyalty had to be put aside. America's Jews had been silent long enough.

Silver marshalled support for the Biltmore Program, which, in May, 1942, set as Zionism's goal turning Palestine into an independent country.

In an effort to unify response to Jewish needs in Europe, various elements of the U.S. community — Zionists and anti-Zionists, Orthodox, Conservative and Reform, B'nai B'rith, the American Jewish Congress and others — met at the founding meeting of the American Jewish Conference, in mid-1943. In a surprise move, Silver took to the rostrum and shattered its air of compromise by calling on its delegates to disregard their leaders. He urged them to express their true feelings, and press for the establishment of a "Jewish commonwealth where the spirit of our people can finally be at rest, as well as the body of its many persecuted."

General public opinion mounted rapidly on behalf of an independent Jewish Palestine. In January, 1944, two Gentile congressmen introduced a resolution demanding that the administration make a concerted effort for free Jewish entry into Palestine.

As chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency, Silver was one of the chief Zionist spokesmen before the United Nations as the Palestine hearings of 1947 approached their conclusion. His eloquence and passion complemented the experience and persuasiveness of Chaim Weizmann, and helped overcome Arab objections.

On Nov. 29, 1947, the UN decreed a Jewish state. Silver, who died in 1963, pioneered the techniques of public community support for it.

Kaplan studies proposal by CJC to strip war criminals of citizenship

By TAMMY KAROL

TORONTO — The solicitor-general of Canada is exploring a Canadian Jewish Congress proposal that former Nazis and alleged war criminals now living in this country be stripped of citizenship and deported.

Andrew Caddell, special assistant to Robert Kaplan, said the minister recently met with CJC president Milton Harris and is investigating the possibility of following such a plan.

Caddell told The Canadian Jewish News last week that the extradition branch of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has been looking at the prosecution of alleged war criminals living in Canada (an estimated 100 or more) and has added extra investigators for this project because of the case load involved.

Caddell said CJC's proposal has been accepted as a "worthwhile approach" by the federal justice minister. "Mark MacGuigan has asked Kaplan for cases that could be examined by the justice department and Kaplan is seeking out these cases," he explained.

Caddell refused to say whether the ministers have committed themselves to the proposal or when the first charges might be laid.

Harris pointed out that prosecution is possible under existing Canadian laws known as the Citizen and Immigration Acts. "It would allow the government to strip the citizenship of alleged Nazi war criminals who came into Canada by lying about their activities during World War II," he said.

The CJC president emphasized that stripping of citizenship would be a self-initiated Canadian government process rather than a Congress action. CJC does not have a police force with case files on these individuals to bring them to trial, he said.

Harris said CJC presented its proposal to the department of justice about five months ago and since then there have been several meetings.

"The justice department's first line of action in response to our request would be to strip such an individual of his or her citizenship," Harris said.

After this step the person would then face a deportation hearing and the prospect of a war crimes trial outside Canada.

War criminals can't be tried in Canada under existing laws because the alleged crimes were committed outside Canada and against citizens of other countries. In most cases, the alleged war criminals can't be extradited for trial because Canada doesn't have extradition treaties with many of the countries where the crimes took place — largely Soviet bloc nations.

Harris said individuals stripped of their citizenship could be deported to Israel. Israel has Nazi collaboration laws which allows courts there to try war criminals who committed crimes against Jews in Europe during World War II, he explained.

According to Harris, deportation is an alternative to extradition where a requesting state must present extensive evidence on a war criminal in Canada so that the individual can be returned to the requesting country. He added that stripping of citizenship is the only possible self-initiated process available to the Canadian government to bring these people to justice.

Harris said CJC's proposal pre-dates the death of Helmut Albert Rauca, the first Canadian citizen to be extradited from Canada for Nazi war crimes. Rauca died in West Germany last October.

Meanwhile Nazi hunter Simon Wiesenthal has urged Solicitor-General Kaplan to investigate two Ukrainian immigrants living in Canada who, he says, were involved in crimes against humanity during World War II.

Caddell said Kaplan received Wiesenthal's letter about the two men last week but refused to speculate on what action will be taken against them.

Wiesenthal has asked the minister to check immigration records to determine if the men were honest about their activities during the war.

He claims one of the men lives in Montreal and was a highranking officer in the Ukrainian branch of the elite SS, formed by the Nazis using local volunteers.

The second individual, according to Wiesenthal, is believed to be in Lachine, Que. He was allegedly the deputy chief of police in the town of Bela Tserkow near Kiev, where, Wiesenthal says, he was involved in the mass execution of 2,000 Jews in 1943.

He is also alleged to have killed a boy in 1943 and to have been involved in the shooting of Jews in 1941.

Chinese premier cool to relations with Israel

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON — Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang gave no specific indication of easing China's long-standing refusal to open diplomatic relations with Israel during his recent Washington visit, even though he was informed Israel "cooperated" in the safe evacuation of Yasser Arafat and 4,000 of his followers of the Palestine Liberation Organization from Tripoli, Lebanon.

The Peoples Republic of China supports the Arafat wing of the PLO in its rivalry with the Soviet Union for political and commercial influence with the Arabs. Russia also has given blessings to Arafat during the strife within the PLO but its support is compromised by backing with weapons and diplomacy to the Assad regime in Syria that is credited with engineering the split within the PLO and Arafat's ouster from Lebanon.

Authoritative White House and state department sources have told this reporter that Secretary of State George Shultz suggested a change in Zhao's position, during their conversation concerning the Middle East. This subject was opened by Shultz. Speaking of the Iran-Iraq war, he pointed to the dangers to the region that may rise from that situation.

In response to Zhao's rejoinder that included his views critical of Israeli policy and the political-military cooperation between Washington and Jerusalem that is in the offing, Shultz gave a lengthy explanation of the U.S.-Israeli relationship and the benefits the U.S. derives from that relationship.

Shultz was reported as having told Zhao in "a very positive way" of the "very valuable" U.S.-Israeli cooperation and the "benefits that flow" from their political and military ties. He pointed out to Zhao, sources said, that Israel cooperated in the evacuation of some 25,000 beleaguered Lebanese Christians who had been driven into a village in the Shouf area of opponents of the Gemayel government and that Israel cooperated in the evacuation of the Arafat forces.

China's attitude towards Israel was described as "cynical" by one source. "For all the spouting the Chinese do about the Middle East, they don't have that much influence," the source said. "It couldn't make a deal about the PLO."

Daily chapters

The daily chapters in the international 3-year Bible reading cycle of the World Jewish Bible Society and the Jewish Agency are, for this week:

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Editorial

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Hafez Assad is a public relations specialist. His astute performance during the visit of presidential hopeful Jesse Jackson won him a fair measure of positive reaction from Americans.

Assad has, in one bold stroke, obscured or at least mitigated the negative image which Syria under his rule has possessed in recent years.

The general rejoicing over the release of the captured American navigator should not, however, dull our moral sensors to the point where the real Syria becomes confused with its shrewd publicity projection.

The leaders of that country do not act in accordance with the moral register which governs democratic societies.

- The defence minister of Syria, Mustafa Tlas, once praised a Syrian soldier for having slaughtered more than a score of Israeli troops through decapitation.
- The Syrian government compiled one of the world's records for killings its own citizens when upwards of 4,000 residents of Hama were butchered by Assad's army a couple of years ago.
- Syria's treatment of its hostage Jewish community is an international scandal. The brutal death recently of a Jewish woman and her children in Syria (reported in The CJN) can only make one wince with fear.

The Syrian hatred of Israel takes on many forms other than military belligerency. In a recent issue of The Biblical Archeology Review, it was reported that Syrian authorities have suppressed information about the Eblaite civilization (discovered in 1976 or thereabouts) because the cuneiform records of the Eblaites link early Syrian and Israelite history.

Hafez Assad has tried valiantly to launder his reputation by using Jesse Jackson. It will take a lot more than that before the dirt comes out in the cleaning.

Honest man

Jacobo Timerman has given his hechsher or, as they say in diplomatic parlance, imprimatur, to the new Alfonsin government in Argentina.

After a considerable sojourn in Israel, the feisty former owner of La Opinion has returned to Buenos Aires to reclaim the assets taken away from him by the military junta and perhaps, as he says, confront those who arrested and tortured him.

Timerman is a man of complex dimensions. After his prison experience, he wrote a briliant book describing the nightmare of his incarceration. The book won him international plaudits.

In Israel during the invasion of Lebanon, Timerman wrote a series of articles for the New Yorker which were later published in book form. Called the Longest War, it was a lacerating attack on the morality of the Begin government.

Interviewed recently on the CBC, Timerman was asked if he, like others who have suffered long prison terms and undergone torture, had emerged stronger for the experience.

Timerman said that was an oversimplification. "When I am with people or am engaged in writing and expressing my views, I am strong. But when I am alone at night I sometimes have nightmares; I am not so strong then."

That's the kind of engaging honesty which has made Timerman such an important personage. His kind of integrity is a commodity which the Argentinians have been short of for the last decade.

We hope that Jacobo Timerman once again finds his niche in Argentina and that he continues to contribute to that nation's intellectual and spiritual reserves.

Mexican Jewry inflamed by accusations

Surprise attack arouses passions

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Mexican Jewry was jolted last month by an anti-semitic diatribe uttered in the Chamber of Deputies by a member of the ruling political party.

During a debate on economic affairs, Miguel Olea Enriquez — a deputy from Chihuahua — called for more severe sanctions against Mexicans who violate currency exchange laws.

Enriquez, who represents the Partido Revoluconario Institucional [PRI] charged that the Jews of Mexico "are experts in these matters. Therefore, they can avoid all payment of taxes; they inflate their assets; they get financial credit even after blowing up their assets and they speculate with their money."

Enriquez's accusation, coming at a time when Mexico is passing through its worst economic crisis in memory, inflamed Mexican Jewry, the largest in Central America. There are an estimated 50,000 Jews in Mexico, almost evenly divided between Ashkenazim and Sphardim. In general terms, Mexican Jews — concentrated in the capital — are well off and well integrated.

Not since 1975, when Mexico voted for a United Nations resolution equating Zionism and racism, had there been such a flap.

Less than one week after Enriquez's remark, government officials from President Miguel de la Madrid to Leopoldo Enrique Soto Iziquierdo, PRI's secretary, repudiated him.

The repudiation was no doubt the result of pressure brought to bear on the government by local and American Jews.

The Comite Central Israelita de Mexico, the umbrella organization of Mexican Jewry, conferred with the authorities. And the American Jewish Committee, in a telegram to Mexico's ambassador in Washington, called Enriquez's charges "nothing less than a scurrilous and libelous attack on the moral integrity and loyalty of Mexican Jewry and constitute a manifestation of group libel."

Jews in Mexico, having described the affair as "an isolated example of bigotry," are satisfied with the government's response.

Passions have apparently cooled.

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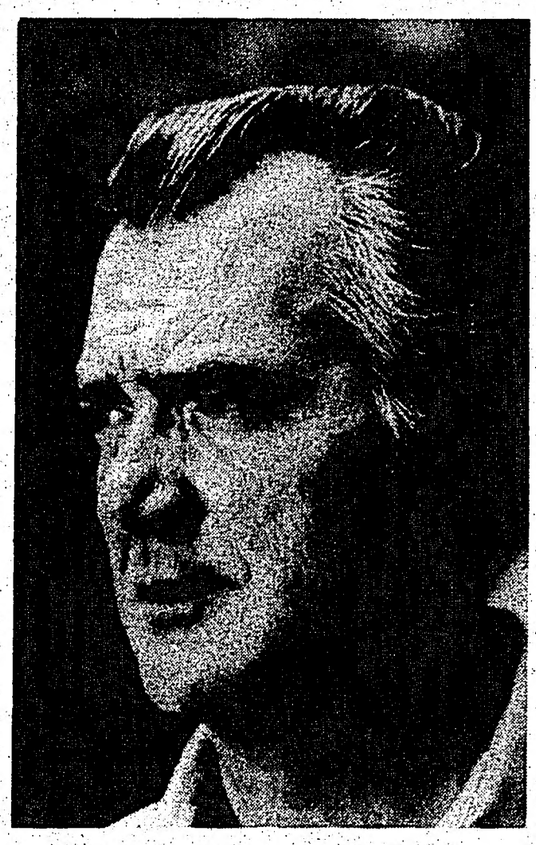
GERMAN NEO-NAZIS

In recent weeks, the West German government has banned several neo-Nazi groups, which were accused by police of having committed 52 acts of violence — from arson to assault — in 1983.



Miguel de la Madrid

Earlier this year, police arrested Michael Kuehnen, whom the newspaper Mannheimer Morgen claims was leader of West Germany's "most important" neo-Nazi organization — ANS/NA.

Twenty-eight years old, Kuehnen comes from an upper middle class family, and has long been involved in extremist causes.

He was booted out of the army in 1977 for engaging in neo-Nazi activities. And two years later, he was sentenced to a 4-year prison term for incitement to racism and glorification of violence.

Midway through his sentence, he was released on condition that he "neither employ nor train nor shelter" certain neo-Nazis.

But Kuehnen reneged on his promise and proceeded to rebuild ANS/NA — which had a membership of 270 when it was outlawed late last year. (The ministry of interior says there are 1,400 known neo-Nazis in West Germany, but the number is believed to be much higher.)

Prior to his recent arrest, Kuehnen was in the midst of preparing to commemorate two events dear to the hearts of Nazis: the 60th anniversary of Hitler's abortive putsch in Munich, and the 45th anniversary of Crystal Night, when Nazi hooligans, egged on by the regime, burned and looted nearly all the synagogues in Germany.

The crackdown by the West German authorities on neo-Nazis coincides with news that Jewish leaders are seeking an end to an informal arrangement by which Jewish youths of military age are exempt from the draft.

Jewish leaders argue that the community, whose size is estimated to be 28,000, cannot indefinitely enjoy full rights under German law without sharing in the country's defence.

Jews may yet be drafted, particularly because the Bundeswehr faces a severe manpower shortage.

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NEW DEAL ARCHITECT

Washington's Hebrew Congregation was the scene of a recent gathering paying tribute to a brilliant and visionary legal scholar who was an architect of much of the New Deal legislation that changed the shape of American government.

Benjamin Cohen, who died in 1983, was a member of President Franklin Roosevelt's brain trust and a moving force behind such pivotal legislation as the Securities and Exchange Act, the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Public Utilities Holding Company Act and other measures aimed at restoring life to America's Depression-wracked economy.

"Millions of people who do not know his name — and far more millions in unborn generations — will be in boundless debt to him for helping build a welfare state for the maximum good of the maximum number," said Joseph Rauh, the well known civil rights lawyer.

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KLAUS BARBIE

Klaus Barbie, now in Lyon, France, awaiting trial on charges of crimes against humanity, is a living symbol of Nazism, writes Brendan Murphy in **The Butcher of Lyon [Fitzhenry & Whiteside, $18.95].**

If he had been judged and executed, as were many of his French collaborators, Barbie would have been a mere footnote in the history of wartime Europe. But because he eluded justice, thanks in large part to the U.S. government, the former Gestapo officer became a cause celebre in his declining years.

Extradited from Bolivia by France, Barbie was "a brutal man of evil intent" who made war on the French Resistance and on Jews, says Murphy, an American writer who lives in Paris.

Acknowledging himself as "a convinced Nazi," Barbie applied his fanaticism to the task at hand in German-occupied France. But had it not been for the hordes of native collaborators, Barbie would not have been so successful in flushing out Resistance fighters and Jews.

After World War II Barbie went into hiding, dabbling in Munich's black market to survive. In the winter of 1945, he was arrested in the American Occupation Zone, but released two weeks later. The U.S. Counter Intelligence Corps imprisoned him in 1946 and, thereupon, Barbie was recruited to fight Communism.

One of his American handlers was impressed by his qualities, describing him as an honest, strong anti-Communist and "a Nazi idealist who believes that he and his beliefs were betrayed by the Nazis in power."

According to Murphy, the U.S. discovered in stages Barbie's past as a war criminal. Even after his real role in the German war effort was unmasked, the Counter Intelligence Corps had no interest in turning him over to France.

The French were not very keen to get Barbie, claims Murphy, since he was a potential source of embarrassment to members of the Resistance who might have compromised their colleagues under the pain, or threat, of torture.

In any event, France was spared. With U.S. assistance, Barbie and his family were spirited to South America, a congenial place for unrepentant Nazis.

Barbie settled in Bolivia, the poorest country on the continent, and began to manufacture wooden cases with a partner who happened to be a German Jew. But, as Murphy points out, this was not the last time Barbie had a relationship with Jews.

Either out of perversity, or for added protective coloration, Barbie was involved in the purchase of arms for Israel in the wake of the Six Day War. Well connected to Bolivian ruling circles, Barbie participated in a deal in which Bolivia was a go-between.

Since the major European arms manufacturers were reluctant to sell Israel arms right after the 1967 war, the Israelis asked the Bolivians to buy the weaponry and have it shipped via France and Spain and then by sea to Haifa. Bolivia agreed. But whether Israel ever knew that Barbie was part of the scheme is debatable.

Murphy, who has written an interesting book on this arch killer, hasn't bothered to find out.

Klaus Barbie's official SS portrait.

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Opinion

Former envoy warns that door must be kept open

Resumption of Soviet relations would benefit all

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The invitation amazed Aba Gefen.

"I almost fell off my chair," he said, relishing the moment.

Gefen, now an advisor in Israel's foreign ministry, was Israeli ambassador to Romania from 1978 to 1982. Romania is the only country in Eastern Europe which did not cut diplomatic relations with Israel during the 1967 Six Day War.

As such, Romania has been Israel's window into the East Bloc for nearly 17 years.

The invitation which practically knocked Gefen off his feet was for a cocktail reception at the Bulgarian embassy in Bucharest, the Romanian capital.

Normally, Israeli envoys do not get invited to East European embassies for diplomatic chitchat. So Gefen, naturally, was taken aback. Since it was a highly unusual invitation, Gefen telexed Jerusalem and obtained permission to attend. Then he called the Bulgarians — the Soviets' staunchest ally — and asked if they had not made a mistake by inviting him.

No, they had not, he was informed politely.

So, on a cold night in December of 1981, Gefen entered Bulgaria's embassy, and was greeted cordially by the ambassador of the Soviet Union, a country not generally friendly to Israel.

Stung by Gefen's presence, the ambassadors of Morocco and Iraq protested, but to no avail. The Moroccan stomped out. Gefen stayed.

Romania's state-controlled media ignored the incident. But it was big news in Israel.

According to Gefen, Israel's first consul in Toronto, the significance of the event was plain, and still timely.

Coming on the heels of a rare meeting at the United Nations between the Israeli and Russian foreign ministers, the Bulgarian invitation was actually a trial balloon launched by the Soviet Union.

Through Bulgaria, which had helped facilitate the re-establishment of Israeli-Russian relations in 1953 after a brief period of tension, the Soviet Union was really testing the waters for a rapprochement with Israel, said Gefen.

"This was a real step forward," asserted Gefen, referring to the invitation tendered by Bulgaria on behalf of the Soviet Union. "You can even call it an overture to Israel."

Although it did not bring concrete results, Gefen is convinced to this day that Israel and the Soviet Union — which took the lead in Eastern Europe in breaking ties with the Jewish state — can resume relations.

"It can be and it must be. The door is not closed. Contacts exist."

The youthful looking 63-year-old civil servant, currently in charge of the foreign ministry's historical department, is of the opinion that both countries have an interest in the resumption of relations.

A Holocaust survivor, born and raised in Lithuania, Gefen explained the advantages for Israel.

"It would be an important development because all of Moscow's allies in Eastern Europe would re-establish relations with Israel if the Soviet Union did so first."

This would enable much of the presently-hostile, non-aligned world to follow suit, and might even facilitate a startling demarche with the Arabs.

Besides being beneficial for the Israeli economy, such developments could induce the Soviet Union to permit more Jews to emigrate, said Gefen, whose book, Bucharest Diary, is due to be published later this year in Israel.

The Soviets would benefit as well because they would be far better placed than they are are presently to influence the course of Middle Eastern diplomacy, he observed.

"They realize, being realists, that a comprehensive peace settlement cannot be achieved without Israel. And they know that they cannot participate in the peace process — which they've been shut out of since Anwar Sadat's 1977 visit to Israel — unless they have relations with us."

Why, then, don't the Soviets plunge ahead?

Gefen thinks that the Soviet Union would reopen its embassy in Tel Aviv if Israel agreed to take part in a reconvened Geneva Peace Conference, held originally in the wake of the Yom Kippur War, and to accept the PLO as a participant.

Israel, Gefen went on to say, doesn't believe in the Geneva concept, partly because

Aba Gefen, first Israeli consul in Toronto, advocates renewal of relations with Soviet Union. [Ronny Shinder photo]

Arab representatives would try to outdo each other in attacking Israel, partly because the PLO could be in attendance, and partly because the Soviet Union backs Arab rejectionist states bent on Israel's destruction.

There are two additional problems.

The Soviet Union still hasn't quite recovered its sense of self-esteem from having been excluded from negotiations that led to the 1979 Israel-Egypt peace treaty. "It was a blow to their prestige," Gefen said.

And, in general terms, Israel's position is that it is incumbent on the Soviet Union to re-establish relations without pre-conditions. "Once there is a Soviet ambassador in Israel, he can raise any issues."

Gefen, who served in Bucharest from January of 1978 to November of 1982, said that Romania has tried to be helpful in expediting an Israeli-Soviet rapprochement.

Romania itself has official links with Israel because it hews to a fairly independent foreign policy. The Romanians, who played a crucial role in Sadat's trip to Jerusalem seven years ago, base their Mideast policy on three tenets:

- The withdrawal of Israeli forces from all occupied territories.
- Self-determination for the Palestinians, including a state.
- Security and territorial integrity for all Middle Eastern countries.

Nicolae Ceausescu, the Romanian leader, welcomed the 1978 Camp David Accord and the Israel-Egypt peace treaty, said Gefen, who met him on several occasions.

Romania, however, has issued no public declaration on the 1982 Reagan plan, rejected by Israel and the PLO.

Though Romania was critical of Israel's invasion of Lebanon, media treatment of the operation was "extremely mild" compared to the vituperation displayed in the rest of Eastern Europe.

Israel, he said, has good bilatereal relations with Romania, buying Romanian meat, iron and chemicals, and selling citrus and pesticides. Gefen, in 1979, negotiated the first cultural agreement — a pact which has not produced the desired results from Israel's point of view.

In 1982, 30,000 Israeli tourists visited Romania. Virtually no Romanian nationals go to Israel. El Al and Tarom — the Romanian airline — fly to Bucharest and Lod, respectively.

Approximately 27,000 Jews, the majority 60 and up, live in Romania, in 62 different communities. Bucharest is home to 11,000 Jews. But, said Gefen, some 4,000 Jews in Bucharest are not registered with the community.

Anti-semitism, which was endemic in pre-1939 Romania, "hasn't disappeared," Gefen said. Yet Jews are found in the liberal arts professions, and one Romanian of Jewish origin sits on the ruling politbureau. A second Jews was removed when his daughters applied to emigrate to the U.S.

Since 1978, 1,000 Jews have left Romania each year and gone to Israel, where there are 370,000 Romanian Jews. Last May, after a fuss, Romania froze a tax on potential emigrants. Reports indicate that Romania feared it would lose its tariff treatment with the U.S. if it imposed the tax.

Gefen, who was in Toronto to visit his married daughter and her family, said that his Romanian experiences were the most interesting in his career as a diplomat.

Before Romania, he was director of the foreign ministry's cultural and scientific department. From 1967 to 1971, he was consul in Toronto, where he met many friends. Gefen also has served in Argentina, Peru and Italy.

Today, in addition to being the ministry's representative to Yad Vashem, the Holocaust memorial in Jerusalem, Gefen is responsible for publishing a year book on foreign affairs, selected documents pertaining to Israeli diplomacy and heretofore secret papers.

"A very interesting job. I like it very much. But a great responsibility."

A member of the Israeli Labor Party, Gefen belongs to a new ideological movement called Tzomet, which is right-wing, and strongly identified with Rafael Eitan, the hawkish former chief of staff.

Gefen was drawn to it because of his dissatisfaction with what he calls the "Mapamization" of the Labor Party. Mapam, or United Workers' Party, was in the pre-1977 Labor coalition. It is to the left of Labor.

Tzomet, which rejects territorial compromise to achieve an Arab-Israeli settlement, may soon become a full-fledged political party. If this happens, Gefen will be forced to decide whether to join its ranks, or quit the government after 33 years of distinguished service. [Under Israeli law, a civil servant may not go into politics on a professional basis.]

The decision which may await him will be exceedingly difficult, for Gefen will then have to weigh the uncertain possibilities of electoral politics against the cushy comforts of the civil service.

Secrecy surrounds nuclear weapons

Enemy should know of Israeli power

By
CARL ALPERT

JERUSALEM —

The great public controversy in Europe with regard to the stationing of nuclear missiles in NATO countries has not been duplicated in Israel.

At the moment there is no suggestion that American arms which might be prepositioned here would be nuclear in nature. To the contrary, the original suggestions that American supplies stockpiled in Israel would largely be medical material had led to scornful comments that this country has no need of American band-aids.

The quiet discussion of nuclear option in general has long been current here and wherever the question of Israel's defence arises. On lecture trips in the United States we have frequently been asked by audiences, in sotto voce queries, if it is true that Israel "has the bomb." We would reply that we really did not know, but whether we have the bomb or not is unimportant; more important is that our enemies **think** we do, and that should be sufficient.

That glib answer is no longer acceptable in certain circles in Israel. Suspicion that Israel may have nuclear weapons is not enough. The true deterrent can be effective only if Israel makes it unmistakably and patently clear that it does indeed have nuclear striking power. This is the contention of Dr. Shai Feldman, Senior Researcher in the Institute for Strategic Studies at Tel Aviv University, as spelled out not long ago in Israel's army magazine, Bamahaneh.

His is a completely new approach to a matter which has heretofore been almost taboo for public discussion. Even if the enemy has his own nuclear weapons, he will think long and hard before unleashing that weapon on Israel if he knows for a certainty that Israel's reaction would be a deadly counter blow on vulnerable targets of the attacker.

Even a country as small in area as Israel, Feldman says, can so disperse its nuclear striking power as to prevent any possible enemy elimination of all our launching pads. In even the worst of surprise attacks, enough would survive to deliver a smashing counter blow.

This is the true deterrent, but it is important that the enemy know it.

The deterrence is mutual, he adds, and would serve to prevent Israel from launching the first strike itself for the same reason.

Some significant points of his strategic policy:

1. He refers not to small tactical employment of nuclear arms on the battle field, but to use of the atomic bomb as a major strategic weapon.

2. Israel's military nuclear potential should be made clear and public in specific detail.

3. Israel should make clear exactly what it would regard as a red line which, crossed by the Arabs, would automatically lead to nuclear retaliation.

4. To reduce any temptation Arab leaders might have to attack, Israel should withdraw from much of Judea and Samaria and Gaza. Our threat to defend ourselves with nuclear weapons would be much more convincing to the enemy if it were clear that our reaction is based on defence of the essence of our survival.

Thus, Israel would have found it difficult to justify its use of nuclear weapons even in such an event as the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War. A battle along the Suez Canal, at the extremity of the Sinai Peninsula and far from Israel proper, could hardly be called a struggle for national survival. The Arabs, realizing this, would not believe Israel's threats, and the deterrent effect would be lost, and with it Israel's credibility.

On the other hand, an attack at or near our major centres of population would be recognized as a challenge which Israel could not fail to react to.

This latter thesis is perhaps debatable, and there are many who would question its logic.

5. Israel need not take such a step now. It should be preceded by reliable information that a Moslem state has already reached the military nuclear stage — and he sees Pakistan approaching that point.

6. Israel's open warning would, Feldman believes, be followed also by a marked reduction in terrorist activity. Even hostile Arab states would not be willing to suffer the danger of a nuclear assault brought on by the undisciplined actions of terrorists operating from within their borders. There would be a definite control of such activities.

7. The aim is not to win this or another battle or war, but to prevent an all-out war from breaking out. The goal is not the ability to win, but the ability to prevent a war. And if deterrence is the object, the nuclear threat is the most effective.

So speaks Dr. Shai Feldman. There has been no indication of what Israel's military or potential leaders think of this challenging thesis.

Opinion

Secret papers reveal Britain's war plans for Israel

By
GABRIEL REY

LONDON [JCNS] —

Britain's ambivalent attitude towards Israel is reflected in formerly secret government documents now released by the Public Records Office under the 30 years secrecy rule.

They reveal that within a span of a mere few months during 1953, Winston Churchill's cabinet and the chiefs of staff contemplated both a military alliance with Israel for the defence of the Middle East, and military operations against Israel in defence of Jordan, after a retaliatory raid by Arik Sharon's commandos.

If Britain had to intervene, the prime minister told his cabinet in November, "it would be better to use overwhelming force as an effective deterrent" to the Israelis.

This belligerant statement by Churchill — who once described himself as "a lifelong Zionist" — is the more remarkable in that only six months previously the defence committee of the cabinet under his chairmanship had directed the foreign office (under Anthony Eden) and the chiefs of staff (under Field Marshal Harding), to consider the guidelines for an agreement with Israel against the Soviet threat to the Middle East, in terms very similar to the understanding for strategic co-operation concluded by the Americans and the Israelis in 1983.

The remarkable episode began in the autumn of 1952 when, in response to an Israeli initiative, an "exploratory military mission" was sent from Britain to find out "how the desire of the Israeli government for close military cooperation with the West can be fitted into Allied plans for the defence of the Middle East against Soviet aggression.

The mission went out in great secrecy not to offend the Arabs — especially the Egyptian government with whom negotiations had been going on about the future use of the British base in Suez.

Its report formed the basis for a memorandum prepared by the foreign office [in consultations with the chiefs of staff] for the cabinet. It stated that the defence of the Middle East would require facilities in Israel, both in peacetime and war, and that their extent would depend on the outcome of the negotiations with Egypt.

"But in broad terms we shall need in war the use of roads and rail communications, ports and airfields in Israel, a requirement which may entail some developments in peacetime," such as a storage for oil and equipment and of accommodation, in war, for the maintenance of transport vehicles.

The memorandum continued: "We also hope that Israel's armed forces, which have already proved their fighting value, could be developed and used in such a way as to meet the needs of Allied strategy for the whole Middle East area."

Aware that previous attempts to include Israel in a regional alliance for the defence of the Middle East had foundered on Arab objections, the authors of the memorandum — foreign office diplomats and general staff officers — stressed that "it must be recognized, however, that any arrangements with Israel on the foregoing lines would, unless carefully handled, run the risk of alienating the neighboring Arab states" whose own facilities and forces "remain indispensable to any plans for the defence of the Middle East."

"Any arrangement with Israel must, therefore, be such as to evoke the minimum of hostility from the Arab states."

They also anticipated some difficulties with the Israelis, who might "have certain particular ideas and objectives of their own," particularly with regard to items which were primarily of economic rather than strategic importance.

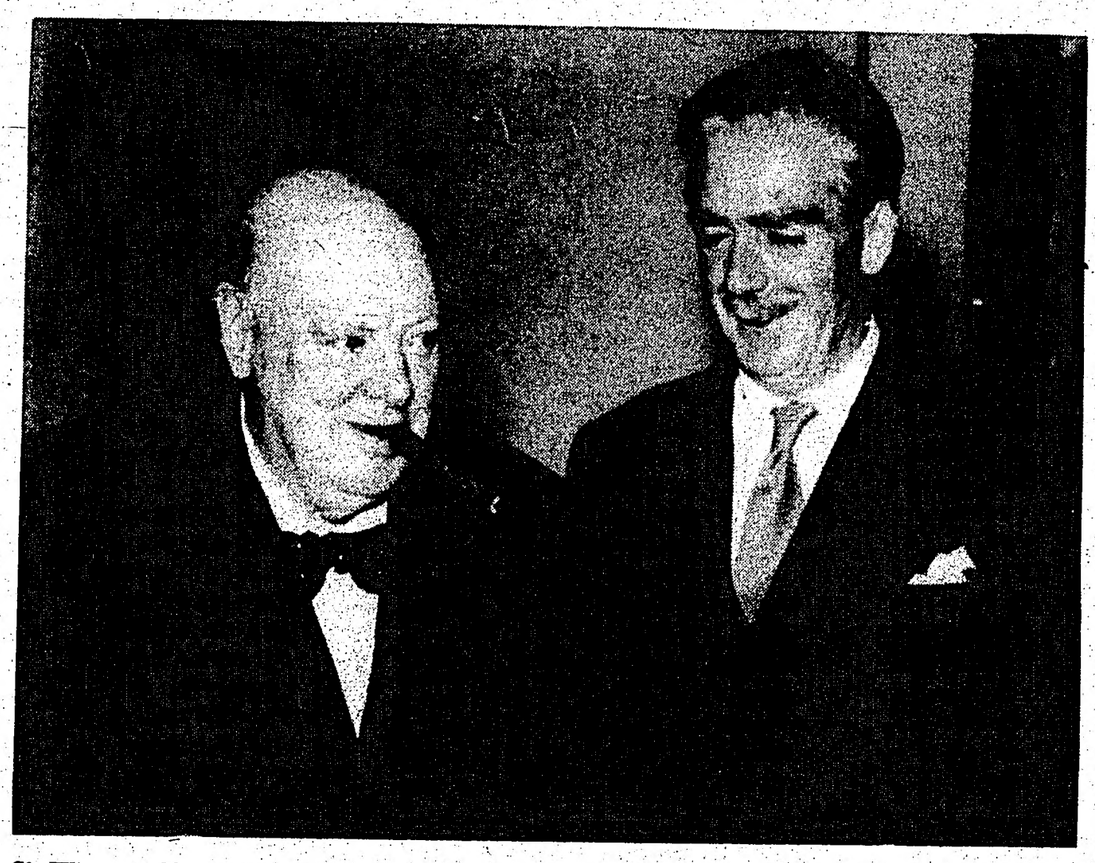
"They will wish to seize the opportunity further to improve their own armed forces, and, in doing so, their motive will be as much to make themselves more powerful in relation to their Arab neighbors so as to provide against a possible Soviet attack."

They might also "expect to be taken into the confidence of the Allies about the latter's plans for the defence of the Middle East" — what a cheek!

The cabinet was reassured that "the Israeli government was in no position to insist on its point of view, where this differed from the plans and wishes of the Western powers" upon whom Israel depended financially, economically and for the supply of arms.

What worried the British much more was the attitude of the American administration, whose commitment and financial support was indispensable to the whole project. According to the memorandum, the Eisenhower administration was "reluctant to see the West identified yet more closely with Israel," and unwilling to provide more funds to her.

"To this our answer must be that facilities in Israel will be a military necessity in case of war (with the USSR) and must be prepared beforehand; and that there is no reason why any arrangement reached with Israel should become public or reach Arab ears."



Sir Winston Churchill with his host Anthony Eden, who was prime minister of Britain at the time photo was taken.

But cabinet ministers remained uneasy. When the Marquis of Salisbury, the Lord President of the council, presented the memorandum to the cabinet in August (with Churchill still absent after his stroke in June), he doubted the wisdom of making an approach to the Americans at the time.

If any Arab state should learn [from the Americans?] that Britain contemplated building up Israel's strength, he warned, "this could not fail to prejudice our current negotiations with Egypt and might lose us the goodwill of the Arab states."

Salisbury also doubted whether Washington could be persuaded to accept fresh commitments in the Middle East.

According to the cabinet minutes there was general agreement that "in spite of the value of a strong Israeli contribution to Middle East defence," it would be wiser to defer the suggested approach to the United States at least until the outcome of the negotiations with Egypt made "further progress."

But with Egypt in the grip of the nationalistic military (under General Neguib and Colonel Nasser), Britain made no headway in the negotiations. However, it was Britain's entanglement with Jordan, which, in the autumn of 1953, changed the whole climate of her relations with Israel and finally killed the plan for a defence alliance.

Just as Britain had agreed to a Jordanian request to send an armored unit for training with the Arab Legion, Israel and Jordan found themselves on the brink of war as a result of a series of cross border terrorist raids and counter-reprisals. The most serious of them occurred on Oct. 15, when a retaliatory action by Major Ark Sharon's special commando "Unit 101" in Quibya, left over 60 villagers dead.

With Britain obliged under the treaty with Jordan to come to her aid in the event of attack, the cabinet discussed the crisis during several meetings in October and November. The foreign secretary, Sir Anthony Eden, argued persuasively in favor of sending the armored unit "to reassure Jordan of our fidelity to our obligations to them."

Eden raised the wider question of sending a larger force to Jordan "either now or in the event of an attack by Israel." Such action should be sufficiently firm to deter Israel from any act of aggression and sufficiently forthcoming to prevent Jordan from precipitating hostilities with Israel, he said.

The dilemma facing the prime minister and his colleagues is reflected in the cabinet minutes which summarized the discussion on Nov. 17: by moving British forces to Jordan, they might become involved in hostilities against Israel; on the other hand, if the Israelis felt that Britain would do nothing, they might be encouraged to attack Jordan.

Churchill described the situation as "of grave potential danger" and urged the cabinet to consider it further. He said: "It was beyond our strength to carry all the burdens of trouble in the Middle East," and "we ought to know what the U.S. intended to do in the event of further trouble between Israel and Jordan."

If, in the meantime, it was finally decided to send an armored squadron to Jordan, they should consider the terms of "the warning statement which we might make to the Israeli government."

Churchill, who was impressed by the danger, went on to suggest that by sending a small force Britain might merely provoke Israel. "If we had to intervene at all, it would be better to use overwhelming force which could provide an effective deterrent."

The chief of the Imperial General Staff, Field Marshal Harding, who was called in to attend the cabinet meeting two days later (on Nov. 19), spoke of the strategic advantage in stationing an armored brigade group in Jordan. "It would be well placed in case of a major war — presumably with the Soviet Union — while in peacetime it would stiffen the Arab Legion."

The field marshal estimated that "if hostilities broke out again between the Jews and the Arabs, and it became necessary for that purpose to send reinforcements to Jordan, the strength required would be of one infantry brigade group and an armored regiment. But such force could not be made available in Jordan within less than one month."

The cabinet decided to send only the armored squadron to Jordan, while telling Israel that so long as she did not intend to attack the Hashemite kingdom she need not fear from the British troops.

Yiddish becomes endangered species

By
DR. LEO DAVIDS

Yiddish did survive transplantation to the Western Hemisphere and the Holocaust, but its survival as a spoken language in future is in grave doubt.

In most countries, it is virtually impossible to obtain "hard data" (statistical information) regarding the knowledge or use of Yiddish, but Canada is an exception due to the language monitoring in its census. We shall look here at the current scene and at the prognosis of Yiddish in Canada, using census information. (The 1981 figures were released in 1983.)

Knowledge of Yiddish, which is one of the Canadian census' familiar languages for over 50 years, is measured by the "mother tongue" question. It asks people about their first childhood language (which for the great majority of Canadian Jews today is English), leaving language now spoken at home for another question.

Since Yiddish is only a childhood language for Jews, it is possible to view the total Jewish population of Canada as the potential Yiddish-speakers' pool, then see how many do indeed report their mother tongue to have been Yiddish. (We shall conveniently ignore the fact that Yiddish was never the ancestral tongue for thousands of Canadian Sephardim.)

What proportion of Canadian Jews was raised with Yiddish? Yiddish was the standard, almost-universal mother tongue of Canadian Jews in 1931 (with 96% having been raised in/with it), but by 1951 that had shrunk to 51% — just 1 out of every 2 Jews. Now the language has shifted to a "specialty" or "endangered species," in 1981, when only 11% of Canadian Jews reported it as their mother tongue.

Until the 1950s, then, the majority of Jewish children in Canada were reared speaking Yiddish, but in the 1980s only 1 in 10 Jews learn Yiddish as their first language, in childhood. However, some study it in school and may be able to speak Yiddish, but would not be counted in the census.

Furthermore, Jews suffer from underpopulation. Except for the Orthodox and ultra-Orthodox sectors, Canadian Jewry does not replace itself, but grows slightly through immigration while shrinking as a result of more deaths than births. That's not good for Yiddish, either.

The census (long form) also asks what language one usually speaks at home. It is reasonable to expect that the Yiddish language of home population is smaller than the Yiddish mother tongue total. How much smaller?

While the 10 years interval [1971-1981] brought a decline of 17,100 people in Canada's Yiddish mother tongue total [down to 32,800] which is 34% fewer than the 50,000 at the earlier census, the Yiddish language of home decline [of 15,700] was fully 60% of the 1971 at-home speakers, who had numbered about 26,000. In 1981, these only totaled 10,650.

This means abandonment/cessation of use by those who know the language . . . not just dying-off among older speakers.

This home-language information shows the disappearance — before our very eyes — of Yiddish as a common or normal tongue among Jews. Whereas almost 1 in 10 Canadian Jews was a Yiddish speaker in 1971, this had dropped to 1 in 28 (3.6%) Jews by 1981. That is very clear evidence of Yiddish having almost become a "dead language," known and studied by specialists but not, except for Chassidim, a folk tongue any longer.

There are many Yiddish enthusiasts who claim that the abandonment of Yiddish will mean grave losses in the area of Jewish identity and culture, but this is not at all certain if one is calm and unsentimental about it. As the members showed us, Yiddish is no longer a general Jewish tongue but is becoming a specifically Chassidic medium.

At present, Chassidim stick to Yiddish (for "internal" use) quite consistently, in keeping with their general attitude concerning traditional things. A hint of this Chassidic fidelity to the language is provided by the fact that 35% of Montreal's Yiddish mother tongue people report (in 1981) that their home language is also Yiddish, but in the rest of Canada this percentage is much lower.

What remains an open question, then, is the future fate of Yiddish among Chassidim, who are no doubt an increasingly major part of that remaining small Yiddish-speaking group we still find in 1981.

Yiddish is more widely respected and appreciated now than a few years ago, but not spoken very often; Jewish religiosity seems to "work fine" in English. North American Orthodoxy now communicates in English, liberally sprinkled with Hebrew and even some Yiddish.

Ultra-Orthodox circles may follow, but at present they are Canada's only Yiddish "fans" on a day to day basis.

Yiddish scholarly and literary activity continues in the major centres of Jewish culture. Some universities, having added Yiddish to their linguistic pantheon, will no doubt keep research and professional communication about Yiddish going for the foreseeable future. But it is hard to envision lectures, conferences or publications, on a large scale, if no one comes to hear and understand, or if there are no readers.

Will the 1991 census produce any surprises?

Opinion

A phenomenon on political scene

The Grafsteins are coming... the Grafsteins are coming

By
J. B. SALSBERG

As every wide-awake Canadian Jew knows by now, Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau filled a number of vacancies in the Canadian Senate and our own Jerry (Yerachmiel Shimshon) Grafstein of Toronto is among the new crop of senators.

And, because I liked the new senator long before he reached his present prominence; and, because I have had a soft spot for the Grafstein clan for as long as I can remember; and, despite the fact that I have never been a liberal with a big L; despite all that I herewith make a public confession that I was extremely pleased with Trudeau's inclusion of Jerry in the list of new Liberal senators. In fact I wish Yerachmiel a heartfelt mazel tov.

J. B. Salsberg

But before I dip my pen once again into the inkwell I wish, in defence of my honor and reputation, to make the following declaration:

My expression of delight over the selection of the latest senator from Toronto does not imply an approval of the Canadian Senate in its present form and function.

I'm aware that there is a considerable bloc of opinion in Canada that believes that the Senate should be abolished altogether and the governing of the country be left to the House of Commons, which is an elected body. There is also a sector of our citizenry that desires to retain a bicameral form of government, a House of Commons and a Senate, but that the Senate consist of elected, rather than appointed members as is the case in the United States.

Then there is a body of opinion that the Senate should be entirely restructured to become an Upper House that will reflect the binational and regional character of our country.

So, whatever the reformed Senate may look like (and reformed it will surely be) we must accept the present Upper House for what it now is; a body of appointees, selected by the government of the day, to fill whatever vacancies may exist. (That, by the way, explains why practically all Jewish senators are from the Liberal ranks, since the Tories rarely come to power and the Tory supporters among the Jews never reach the promised land of the Red Chamber, as the Senate is also referred to.) That being the case, why not welcome the appointment of one like Yerachmiel? No reason why not to do so.

Having hopefully defended my political reputation from possible criticism or, much worse, suspicion of partisanship, I can proceed to elaborate on the Jerry Grafstein "elevation" to the Canadian Senate.

Firstly, I want to dwell on the Grafstein phenomenon on the Canadian political scene.

The media had no sooner heralded the news of Grafstein's appointment when my loyal band of reporters began to ply me with dispatches about the Grafstein network.

"Did you know," one helpful soul enquired, "that Senator Jerry Grafstein is a cousin of Canada's solicitor-general, Robert [Bob] Kaplan . . . by the way of Bob's mother, who is a 100% Grafstein?" Of course I know that, I assured my eager reporter. The solicitor-general's mother is the late Moyshe Grafstein's eldest daughter.

I expressed my appreciation for his advice

But my well meaning helper had another card up his sleeve. "OK, JB," he said, "but do you know that Judge Phil Givens, former Toronto mayor, former MP and MPP and now chairman of the Metro Toronto Police Commission, is also half a Grafstein, via his mother?"

Not to disappoint my private eye I refrained from telling him that I was fully aware also of that fact but said, instead, that come to think of it I did hear something along those lines.

"Heard of it," my voluntary agent thundered, "heard of it, why JB I'm giving you facts and not something based on hearsay."

To make him happy I expressed my appreciation of his authentic advice. To feed his ego I didn't tell him that I also know where the Grafstein clan hails from, but I'll tell **you**, my friendly readers. The Grafsteins come from Washniow, a small Polish town very few heard about and the Grafsteins followed in the footsteps of our patriarchs in the extension of their families.

That, my trusted readers, is why I caption this column the way I do. When I announce that "The Grafsteins are coming, the Grafsteins are coming!" I do so not as a warning of things to come but rather as a cheerful prediction of the event that knocks at our door. The Grafsteins are, indeed, coming!

More information and intelligence that you are entirely uninformed of, about the Grafsteins, and of Senator Yerachmiel Shimshon (Jerry) in particular, demand to be related and related they will be (the editor agreeing) next week.

After all, it isn't every day that a wide-ranging family like the Grafsteins trods upon the political stage of our country as they are now doing.

So, hold your breath and assemble around this privileged corner next week. In the meantime proclaim the glad tidings that the Grafsteins, bless them, are coming . . . they are on the march!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters.

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ISRAELI WRITER PROUDLY PARTISAN

My fellow countryman, Gabriel Glazer of Jerusalem, complains in his letter of Dec. 1 that my views and my writing for The CJN are not "objective." The editor correctly interpreted Glazer's intent when he headed the letter "Claims Alpert Right-Winger."

I have never claimed to be objective. When it comes to love of Israel, desire to help Israel flourish and be strong, and concern for the quality of life here, I can not be objective. I am intensely, perhaps even passionately partisan.

Carl Alpert
Haifa

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DEPLORES BICKERING

In a world where most Jews are affiliated with **no** synagogue and many do not visit **any** shul even on the High Holy Days, is it not foolish and damaging that the ultra-right, ultra-Orthodox Jews expend so much energy attacking Conservative and Reform Jews? The extremists claim that they are even worse than those who convert away from Judaism.

While they may satisfy their own egos and bring cheers from their small cadre of followers, it's sad to read in the columns of your paper how these extreme rightists pour vitriol on their fellow devout, synagogue-going Jews. Can we really afford this bickering battle?

Ray Havelock
Toronto

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QUESTIONS CJC DEMOCRACY

Re your Dec. 22 article headed "Ontario CJC rejects bid to change donation criteria for holding office":

The fact that the Ontario Region of the Canadian Jewish Congress rejected a resolution that makes non-UJA contributors, or those who contribute in other ways to the community, gain the right to participate in Congress and their various committees question the democracy inside the Congress.

Since the most dominant region is opposed to the amendment, which would give truer representation of Canadian Jewry, the CJC can no longer claim they are the parliament of Canadian Jews or the sole representative of Canadian Jewry.

One must disagree with the thesis of the president of the Canadian Jewish Congress who stated that "people identify with the community by making contributions to the UJA." Fund raising is not the sole criterion for a successful community. Spiritually, togetherness and, most important, the feeling of being needed and fulfilling many services, should be the main criteria for identity with the community.

Giving to the UJA does not address vital problems such as cults, Jewish rights and the defence of Israel against the media, which currently are not being addressed by the Canadian Jewish Congress.

The Canadian Jewish Congress cannot claim to represent the Canadian Jewish community, if it excludes any wanting Jew.

Barbara Hoffman
Toronto

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BARRIERS AGAINST GENTILES

Re your Dec. 15 article headed "Mixed marriage partners target of Reform outreach group":

A "no-barrier" approach to accept Gentiles into our fold reminds me of one word of our prophets and its interpretation in the Talmud. It is Isaiah who says: "And all your children shall be learners of God and great will be the peace of your children." Rabbi Eliezer in Talmud Berachot, explains: "Do not read Banayich: your children, but Bonayich: your builders."

Yes, "the learners of God," our scholars, are called builders because they have built barriers around the garden of the Torah in order to keep out the intruder. Those barriers have been our stability and security for ages.

Ephraim Carlebach
Montreal

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Rabbi Solomon Agin blows the shofar at his Reform Temple Beth-El in the Cape Coral suburb of Fort Myers, Fla.

LOVELY BUT UNSEEN ARTICLE

I have been repeatedly informed about the lovely article written about myself and our Florida Temple Beth-El by Frank Rasky in your Dec. 22 issue, bearing the title, "Floridians still miss Toronto: Pastrami, CNE bring lump to throats."

Please accept my appreciation for the lovely article. People have promised to save the issue for me, but as of this writing, I have not had the privilege of seeing the article.

Could I impose upon you to send me three copies?

Rabbi Solomon Agin
Cape Coral, Florida

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JEWISH LIFE HERE VAPID?

Since reading your Dec. 29 article on the recent aliya of Prof. Emil Fackenheim ("Professor sees aliya as new model for Judaism"), I have been watching your editorial page for a repetition of the sentiments expressed in your editorial, "Unfair Words" (Oct. 6).

It appears that Prof. Fackenheim shares the views of Rabbi Shlomo Riskin — i.e. that "galut-Judaism has come to an end," and that "Jewish life in North America is vapid."

I wonder how many more of our great thinkers and religious leaders would agree with Prof. Fackenheim and Rabbi Riskin.

Aliza Feldman
Thornhill, Ont.

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GENTILES WHO RESCUED JEWS

I am writing because I need your readers' help. I was born in Poland and survived the war by being rescued by a kind and wonderful Polish peasant family. I left Poland as a boy in 1945 and I have been in the United States since 1950.

I am a professor of sociology and received my PhD from the University of California at Berkley. I was able to obtain a leave of absence from my university to pursue an important project. It is the Study of the Altruistic Personality Project, financed by the John Slawson Fund of the American Jewish Committee.

I would like to hear from survivors who have been rescued by Gentiles in Nazi-occupied Europe. I have already interviewed 18 rescuers and 20 survivors.

Samuel P. Oliner
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WIDOWS APPRECIATE ARTICLE

Our group of widows at the Wagman Centre wish to thank you for Cynthia Gasner's excellent Dec. 1 article ("Despair brings widows together").

You explained wonderfully, in great detail, what our group does to help widows to overcome their grief. Your article also sensitively describes how we widows are managing our daily life.

Min Clairman
Toronto

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SEEKS "LOVING" CRITICISM

A number of people have brought your editorial of Sept. 15 headed "Anti-Israel lit," to my attention.

I am quite upset, even angry, at the fact that you consider the book which I recently edited, After Lebanon: The Israeli-Palestinian Connection, to be "hostile," "virulently" and "stridently anti-Israeli."

A serious review of the book would be welcomed. In times like these, Israel needs responsible, open debate and constructive (loving) criticism, in order to be able to make some very difficult decisions. Name-calling is not enough.

Hillel Schenker
New Outlook Middle East Monthly
Tel Aviv

World-National

Blum's complaints go unheeded

Foes flood UN with anti-semitism statements

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accused Jews of being largely responsible for the pornographic trade in New York. But he also chastised Blum for responding in an undiplomatic fashion.

Speaking of Israel and the Jewish people, the Libyan diplomat said last month during the Middle East debate in the General Assembly, "The time has come for the United Nations to strive to save the peoples of the world from this racist entity."

Blum quoted further from Treiki's remarks: "We hope that the day will soon come when we can eradicate this affront, this aberration of history which we committed when we accepted within our organization this band of criminals, mercenaries and terrorists."

Blum also complained that "Soviet-bloc representatives routinely deride the Jewish people as the chosen people."

The Israeli envoy said the enemies of Israel abused the immunity of the diplomatic arena.

"By a curious paradox, representatives at the United Nations enjoy an immunity to spread anti-semitic invective with an openness and in a way which would not be tolerated in any decent society," Blum said.

"There can be little doubt that the escalation at the United Nations of anti-semitic rhetoric in recent years — whether direct or in the form of anti-Zionism and anti-Israel campaigns and resolutions — has been largely responsible for the recrudescence of anti-semitism worldwide," he said.

Elsewhere on the anti-semitism front — two U.S. Jewish organizations expressed "shock and outrage" last week over an article in the Soviet newspaper Pravda which claimed that Zionism and Nazism grew from the same roots.

This article, published Jan. 17, likened the present Israeli leadership and its methods to Hitler and the Nazis and reiterated a familiar charge in Soviet anti-Zionist propaganda that Zionist leaders collaborated with the Nazis.

Howard Friedman, national president of the American Jewish Committee, called the Pravda piece "a savage and immoral attack . . . on the Jewish people, Judaism and the State of Israel."

Lynn Singer, president of the Union of Councils for Soviet Jews, said the article is "of urgent concern due to its official nature and serving as official policy to reinforce and strengthen the traditional anti-semitism found in the Soviet Union. The attack is an assault on the entire Jewish community, foreboding increasingly dangerous times for Jews living in the Soviet Union."

In Geneva, a recent survey taken by the Jewish community shows that 6 to 8% of the people in Switzerland are anti-semitic.

According to the Chief Rabbi of Zurich, Mordechai Piron, the Jews of Switzerland [5,700 families] are beginning to realize that "it is again fashionable to be anti-semitic in certain circles and the anti-semites do not hide their views any more."

Rabbi Piron said that the first to be alarmed and to draw attention to this situation were pro-Israel Catholic and Protestant officials.

Until recently, according to the Chief Rabbi, it was believed that the French-speaking part of the country was more anti-Jewish, but now, anti-Jewish slogans have appeared and cemeteries desecrated in both the French and German speaking cantons.

Shamir stands firm on decision

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members are from the West Bank.

And, by increasing from four to nine the number of Palestinians in his cabinet, the 48-year-old Jordanian monarch signalled yet again his determination to reforge contacts with the Palestinians and reassert some responsibility for their future on the West Bank, held by Israel since the Six Day War.

Replying to Jordan's overture to the PLO, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir declared:

"The government of Jordan knows well that Israel will not conduct any negotiations with the terrorists, either directly or indirectly. The government of Jordan also knows that the PLO is the opposite of peace and the obstacle to any negotiations or agreement."

Shamir welcomed the reconvening of Jordan's parliament, saying it "can be compatible" with Israel's 1977 autonomy proposals — which permit limited Palestinian self-determination in municipal affairs.

The Israeli leader said that Hussein's decision to reopen his parliament after a hiatus of a decade might have been "designed to prepare the way" for Jordan's acceptance of the Camp David peace process.

"However, the Jordanian parliament has chosen not to take this positive road. To our chagrin, there are even indications of the opposite."

Expressing disappointment with Jordan's apparent goal of establishing a common strategy with the PLO, which was expelled from Jordan in the 1970-71 civil war, Shamir wondered:

"Where is Jordan headed? Is Jordan striving for peace, or is that country's aim to arrive at an understanding with the fanatic and destructive elements in the region?"

Israel's reaction may well spell doom to attempts by Egypt and the U.S. to get the peace process moving by involving the PLO, which is not recognized by Washington.

Two additional factors complicate the picture.

- Despite Arafat's stated willingness to confer with Hussein, the PLO continues to rail against Reagan's peace plan — which Jordan seems prepared to live with for the time being.

Last week, after Hussein's appearance in his parliament, the PLO's second-ranking official, Abu Jihad, said that the Reagan plan was definitely not "a common basis for political action."

- Syria, which supported the rebellion in the PLO against Arafat's leadership and tactics, warned Arafat and Hussein to refrain from negotiating. Damascus Radio then accused Hussein — whose country has been the target of a Syrian terrorist campaign — of seeking "to liquidate the Palestinian cause."

As a result of these developments, King Hussein — who was recently hospitalized with a bleeding ulcer — will find it exceedingly difficult to become the Palestinians' spokesman in any future peace talks.

For now, the peace process seems as stalled as ever.

U.S. suspects Syrians are seeking withdrawal

WASHINGTON [JTA] — The Reagan administration believes that the Syrians want to negotiate a withdrawal of their troops from Lebanon, but on their terms.

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency has learned that this is the feeling of the administration despite the lack of progress made during special Mideast representative Donald Rumsfeld's 3½-hour talk in Damascus last week with Syrian President Hafez Assad.

Rumsfeld reportedly told the Israelis later that chances for an agreement had "decreased."

Assad has made it clear that he wants Lebanon to abrogate its May 17 agreement with Israel and for Israeli troops to pull out of Lebanon before he will consider the withdrawal of Syrian troops from that country.

At his meeting with Rumsfeld, he reportedly added the condition that the United States withdraw its troops too.

The administration believes that a major concern of Syria with the May 17 agreement is that it will make Israel the protector of Lebanon. Syria sees itself as the protector of Lebanon.

The U.S. does not believe that Syria wants to absorb Lebanon, something that is believed in Israel. Instead, the administration noted that when Lebanon and Syria were removed from the control of the French in 1946, the Syrians agreed that they were two countries, but one people.

At the same time, the Syrians maintained that they will not let Lebanon be used as a base or corridor for an attack on Syria.

The U.S. has accepted that Syria has long played an influential role in Lebanon. It is believed here that Syria wants stability in Lebanon and that is one of the reasons its army first went into the country in 1976 at the request of the then Lebanese government.

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Demonstrators shout "Never Again!"

JDL, Zundel supporters in courthouse clash

By
TAMMY KAROL

TORONTO —

About 30 Jewish Defence League members clashed with supporters of a man charged with spreading false information about the Holocaust, when he appeared at the Old City Hall courthouse here last week.

The JDL members were among 60 demonstrators who paraded outside the Provincial Court, shouting, "Prosecute Nazis Now" and "Never Again!"

They were denouncing Ernst Zundel of Carlton St., operator of Samisdat Publishers, which allegedly distributes material claiming fewer Jews were killed in the Holocaust than is documented.

The charge was laid against him last month by Sabina Citron, founder of the Toronto-based Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association and a survivor of Auschwitz.

This was Zundel's second court appearance in Toronto.

The first took place on Dec. 28 to set a date for his trial. But Zundel's lawyer, Lauren Marshall, asked Judge William Ross for a postponement to gather more material, and a second hearing was scheduled last week.

This time CHRA lawyer Robert McGee asked for a deferral. He pointed out that Peter Griffith, the Crown attorney appointed to prosecute Zundel, recently received additional documents which would have great bearing on the case, and Griffith needed to review it with him.

Volumes of material have already been given to the prosecutor and McGee will assist the Crown attorney in presenting it.

Judge Ross remanded Zundel to Feb. 6 to set a date for trial, but said the specifics of the allegation must be given to the defence by Jan. 31.

Ross said he was "somewhat chagrined" by a delay of two months since Citron laid the charge against Zundel.

And Marshall asked for the case to be heard as quickly as possible because of death threats against her, Zundel and their families.

Protesters outside Toronto's Old City Hall last week carried signs calling for legal action against Nazi war criminals living in Canada and for action against hate literature. The occasion was a court hearing for Ernst Zundel, charged with spreading false information. [Graphic Artists photo]

Zundel said he carried a tape recorder to monitor death threats as he and a dozen supporters pushed through demonstrators at the courthouse steps last week.

Ten uniformed police outside the court broke up a fight between the two groups, but the brawl later moved inside the building, where angry words were exchanged. JDL supporters spat and hissed at Zundel; one individual's glasses were shattered during the fracas.

Zundel wore a hard hat and bulletproof vest upon entering Old City Hall, but removed the hat in the packed courtroom.

After the hearing, uniformed police ushered Zundel from the courtroom to a side door, where he jumped into a cab. The crowd followed and jeered his other supporters.

Meanwhile, a man who Zundel said was his security guard but whom he refused to identify, was knocked to the ground and kicked outside the courthouse. And a JDL member was cut in the face in the clash on the steps, according to national League director Meir Halevi.

Halevi, who organized the protest rally in front of Old City Hall prior to the hearing, said he has been monitoring Zundel's activities personally since 1978.

Halevi said he would like Zundel sent to jail and his organization shut down. He told The Canadian Jewish News that Zundel should be charged under Section 177 of the Criminal Code, which does not require the consent of the provincial attorney-general.

Section 177 states that "everyone wilfully publishing a statement, tale or news that he knows is false and that causes or is likely to cause injury or mischief to a public interest is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for two years."

Scheininger on hate literature:

Prosecutions message behavior unacceptable

By
GARY COHEN

KINGSTON, Ont. —

Hate propagandists should be prosecuted under existing sections of the Criminal Code despite inadequacies in the law that make convictions unlikely, according to Les Scheininger, chairman of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region.

Speaking at a panel discussion here on the issue of anti-semitic hate literature in Canada, Scheininger said, while "it is almost impossible to get convictions under existing sections of the Criminal Code" prosecutions should proceed as "a message that anti-semitic behavior is not acceptable in our society.

"People are more circumspect about what they do if they face the possibility of prosecution," he stated.

Scheininger also argued that if prosecutions failed to produce convictions before proposed amendments to the Code were introduced "the case to push for amendments will be strengthened."

While recognizing the need to balance civil liberties, such as the right to freedom of speech, with the right of protection from hate literature and other forms of slander, Scheininger said the scope of "fair comment" has gone "past the limits of acceptable behavior."

Calling Canada and, in particular, Ontario "the centre of neo-Nazi material going out to all parts of the world," Scheininger said: "This activity is not in the best interests of the country or of us as individuals. This is not just a Jewish issue, it's a Canadian issue that affects all of us whether we are Jews or not.

"The Criminal Code provisions need tightening," he said. "If an offence is committed we need prosecutions and convictions. It's fine to have something on the books, but if it doesn't work it is counterproductive."

Scheininger said that the CJC would continue to actively seek amendments to the Criminal Code — specifically in an effort to eliminate the concept of "wilful" intent to incite racial hatred and the stipulation that prosecution cannot proceed without the express consent of the appropriate provincial attorney-general.

He also said that the CJC and Ontario attorney-general Roy McMurtry are looking into the possibility of amending the Libel and Slander Act as a way of dealing with hate literature.

Queen's University political science professor Phil Goldman, who along with Kingston law professor Michael Pikard joined Scheininger on the panel, said he disagreed with the concept that failed prosecutions would not have a detrimental affect. Goldman said that "the worst possible outcome politically would be to prosecute and fail."

Apart from setting a precedent, he said, acquittal would mean that "in a sense criminal law would be sanctioning" this type of behavior. If you are going to prosecute, he stated, "you ought to be sure you are going to win."

Goldman disagreed with Scheininger about the necessity and effectiveness of changing the current law. "I'm not sure we need changes in the law," he said. "And prosecutions may still not succeed under clearer legislation. In fact, I'm not convinced that convictions are impossible under this law because it hasn't been tried. What we need is a good case to test the law."

Goldman added that other avenues outside the domain of criminal law could be effective in dealing with the issue and suggested that exploring options available under civil law or the Human Rights Code may be a viable alternative.

Pikard told the meeting that "in the government scheme of things hate propaganda is not that important." He said the government is often "clumsy and not terribly textured" when dealing with complex issues and added that there is "lots of government obscurity, confusion and equivocation about whether hate propaganda is all that bad."

Suggesting that it might be better to take the law off the books all together, Pikard said, "government silence is better than equivocation. It might be more effective if the government waited until the situation becomes serious enough and then comes down with an iron hand." Otherwise, he stated, "the more complex the legislation, the more ambiguous the message. What you end up with is a government that is hamstrung. And a hamstrung government is worse than no action at all."

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Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

COUNCIL OF BROTHERHOODS

The Toronto Council of Brotherhoods installation and breakfast meeting on Sunday, Jan. 29, features guest speaker Ontario Attorney-General **Roy McMurtry**. Meeting takes place at 9 a.m. at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St.

ISRAEL AND THE MEDIA

On Sunday, Feb. 5, Holy Blossom Temple hosts **Michael Chernack** of the Canada-Israel Committee who will discuss media coverage of Israel in a program entitled What's What and Who's Who. You are invited to hear Mr. Chernack and his informed recommendations for change at 8 p.m. at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

THE NUCLEAR ARMS ISSUE

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation's winter series of adult education seminars led by **Rabbi Moshe Stern** continues on Tuesday, Jan. 31, at 8 p.m. with The Nuclear Arms Issue — A Traditional Jewish Perspective. The time is 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St. There is no charge and everyone is welcome. For information, call the synagogue office at 787-1631.

HAMILTON'S SHALOM VILLAGE

Hamilton's Shalom Village has scheduled a talk on Great Jewish Personalities by **Rabbi Bernard Baskin** for Monday, Jan. 30.

Special activities for February include —

Wednesday, Feb. 1 — A movie co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre and Shalom Village entitled So This Is Love, based on the life of opera singer **Grace Moore.** That's at 1.30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 2 — Mosaic tile program at 2 p.m. usually held on Mondays is switched this week due to special program on Jan. 30 with Rabbi Baskin.

Friday, Feb. 3 — **Cantor Imre Rozsnyni** of Temple Anshe Sholom will entertain residents at 1.30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 4 — Shabbat service and kiddush lunch beginning at 9.30 a.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 7 — **Dr. Greenspan** of the religious department of McMaster University will be speaking at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 8 — If you want to be a new you, join in the fun afternoon of a Mary Kay cosmetic demonstration with **Jo-Ann** at 1.30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 15 — A slide and film presentation of a trip through Hungary by the Hungarian community at 1.30 p.m.

Activities for the second half of the month will be in next week's column. If you would like more information, call Shalom Village in Hamilton at 528-5377, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

JEWISH COMMUNITY PROFESSIONS

At a meeting of the Toronto Association of Professionals in Jewish Communal Service on Tuesday, Feb. 7, guest speaker **Irwin Gold**, executive vice-president of Toronto Jewish Congress, will discuss The Future of the Jewish Communal Professional. The meeting takes place at 12 noon at the Lipa Green Building, 3rd floor, 4600 Bathurst St. Bring a dairy lunch, or lunch is available at $3.50. For further information, contact the president, **Bernard Shoub**, at 633-7770.

Irwin Gold

PASSOVER SEDERS

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation will be having two Passover seders at the synagogue April 16 and 17. Due to the huge demand, the synagogue is opening registration early.

Services will be conducted by **Rabbi Moshe Stern** and **Cantor Yitzhak Aptowitzer.** There will be a 200-maximum limit at each seder and catering will be done by Peter Graben Caterers under the supervision of the Orthodox kashruth division of Congress (COR). Price per meal is $30 for adults and $18 for children under $12. For information, call the synagogue office at 787-1631.

PW MIAMI SNOW BIRD TEA

The annual Miami snow bird tea organized by Toronto Pioneer Women will take place at the DiLido Hotel ballroom on Monday, Feb. 6, from 1-4 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact **Libby Ravka** at the DiLido Hotel, room 701, at (305) 538-0811, or, in Toronto call **Mollie Rothman** at 889-5555.

NEED HELP TO STOP SMOKING?

Help to stop smoking is available at the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking beginning Sunday, Jan. 29, at 7.30 p.m. at North York Branson Hospital. For more information, call 633-9420, ext. 201.

CURRENT AFFAIRS HOT SPOTS

Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood invites you to participate in a current affairs afternoon with **Erika Biro**, who promises to put you in touch with a political "hot spot" examined in national and global news. It takes place on Tuesday, Jan. 31, from 1.30-3 p.m. at the temple. Admission is $2 for sisterhood members and $2 for non-members. Babysitting is provided. Contact **Phyllis** at the temple office at 789-3291 with the name and age of your child. There is a fee for the babysitting.

MARRIAGE UNDER JEWISH LAW

Is There True Equality in Marriage Under Jewish Law? is the topic of a panel discussion co-sponsored by Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood and the Adult Education Committee at a maleveh malka on Saturday, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m. at the synagogue. Panelists will be **Rabbi Barry Schneider** and lawyers **Sydney Himel** and **Anne Silverman.**

Refreshments will be served and guests are welcome. For further information, call 633-3838.

ALJS DISCUSSION GROUP

The Association for the Living Jewish Spirit (ALJS) is holding a discussion group on Thursday, Jan. 26, at 8 p.m. at Forest Hill Public Library Building, 666 Eglinton Ave. W., seminar room 2. Topic of discussion will be How Can The Modern Jew Live in the Jewish Spirit?

ALJS president is **Rabbi Reuben Slonim** at 789-0101 and secretary-treasurer is **Felix Eckstein** at 926-1368.

FOR WIDOWED MEN AND WOMEN

Jewish Singles Project Connect is reaching out to recently widowed men and women under 55 to form a support group to ease grief and uncertainty for the future. Group meets on Monday, Feb. 13, at 8 p.m. There is no charge and coffee will be served. Call 731-4600 mornings for further information.

OAKVILLE-MISSISSAUGA BB WOMEN

The next meeting of the Oakville-Mississauga Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women of Canada is set for Monday, Jan. 30, at 8 p.m. at 1153 Old Abbey Lane, Oakville. Everyone is welcome. For information, call 827-9471.

JEWISH IDENTITY

Congregation Habonim, 12 Hollaman Rd., is presenting a series of three lectures on the theme of Jewish identity. The first lecture takes place on Sunday, Feb. 5, at 2.30 p.m. with **Dr. Morton Manilla** speaking on Jewish Identity in its Historical Perspective. Discussion and refreshments will follow. The public is invited and there is no charge.

POMEGRANATE GUILD

The Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Textiles is holding its opening meeting of 1984 on Wednesday, Feb. 1, at 8 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple. Guest speaker **Fran Sowton** will talk about Ecclesiastical Embroidery.

NCJW INFORMATION EVENING

Women of all ages are invited to attend a National Council of Jewish Women information evening on Thursday, Jan. 26, at 8.15 p.m. at Council House, 4700 Bathurst St. Come and find out what Council is all about. Learn about services and programming and meet other Jewish women in the community. New branches will be formed in all age groups.

For information, call Council House at 633-5100 days, or 494-5878 or 881-0113 evenings.

HILLEL STUDENTS U OF T

Here are some events planned for Hillel students at the University of Toronto —

On Saturday, Jan. 28, the Herb R. Tarlick Foundation, in conjunction with Hillel, brings you a wild and tacky party (a polyester party) at 8.30 p.m. at Hillel House, 604 Spadina Ave. Wear your tackiest clothes, bring your oldest board games and your worst records. Admission is $1 or free if you dress tacky.

The weekend of Feb. 3-4 there is a downtown Shabbaton together with Aish Hatorah. Discussions with **Rabbi Sholom Schwartz** will deal with Why the Jews? — An Inquiry Into the Roots of Anti-Semitism.

An upcoming event is Hillel's February retreat at Innisfree Farm, Feb. 17-19. Call for details.

For information about all Hillel programs, contact **Betty** at 923-9861.

SUMMER TRIP TO ISRAEL

The second study-exploratory meeting of all prospective participants (ages 15-18) in the Beth Tzedec-sponsored summer trip to Israel will be held on Thursday, Jan. 26, in the synagogue lounge at 5 p.m. At that time **Jacob Israeli**, coordinator of the program, will discuss the scope of the program and answer any questions you may have about the trip. Guest speakers will be two of last year's participants, **Karen Glass** and **Tammy Dwosh.**

It is essential that all prospective participants attend this meeting. For more information, call the school office at 787-0381.

USDS REGISTRATION FOR 1984

The United Synagogue Day School announces that registration is now open for the school year commencing September, 1984. A meeting of interested parents is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 6, at 8 p.m. at the Bayview branch, 3080 Bayview Ave. The meeting is scheduled for potential registrants of both branches and the public is invited. For further information, call 781-5658.

FUND FAREWELL

The Chanukah party of the Ottawa Chapter of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University provided an opportunity for Chapter president Freda Paltiel to announce this spring's fund raising dinner honoring Canadian pediatrician Dr. Lyon Pearlman. The party, at the Paltiel home, was also a farewell for Mrs. Paltiel's husband, Dr. Khayyam Paltiel [with her in the picture] who is spending six months teaching at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem's Rothberg School for Overseas Students under auspices of the university's Canadian Studies program.

NEW MEMBERS FOR BB CHAPTER

Wanted — young women (25-35) looking for stimulating programs, community involvement, fund raising activities. Be active, meet new friends by joining Chaverim Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women of Canada. Call **Sheila** at 886-1246.

A PLEA FOR JEWS OF SYRIA

Rabbi Lawrence Englander of Solel congregation has written a letter to **John Roberts**, minister of immigration and employment, in the hope that the Canadian government may intercede to ease the plight of the Jews of Syria.

The letter points out that the Syrian Jewish community of 4,300 is virtually held hostage, restricted in travel, kept in ghettoes and denied permission to emigrate.

Rabbi Englander appeals to the Canadian government to help these people on humanitarian grounds by advocating, through diplomatic channels, free immigration for Syrian Jews and by granting admission to our country when temporary visas are requested.

An interesting addition to the letter is the statement that with communications between the Syrian Jewish community and the outside world rigidly censored, the Ronald Feld Foundation in Toronto is the only organization in the world which has access to the Jews of Syria on an ongoing basis.

HEBREW CLASSES FOR OLIM

The Israel Aliyah Centre is offering Hebrew language classes or ulpanim designed especially for olim. Only aliya candidates who have opened files with the centre will be eligible for these classes. Fees will be relatively low. Call the centre at 665-7772 for further details.

TORONTO WOMEN'S ORT

Toronto Women's ORT is hosting a reception in honor of the new director-general of ORT-Israel, **Israel Goralnik**, who will be visiting Toronto for several days. It will take place at the home of **Frances Shoore** on Wednesday, Feb. 1, at 8 p.m. For information, call the ORT office at 787-0297.

IF YOU KNOW

Aaron Nussbaum has requested help for the courses he is teaching at York University and at the Midrasha. It will be of great help to him to hear from any Jew connected with the Karaite community. This includes Karaites from Europe, Egypt or Israel.

Also, any descendants of Sabbatean or Frankist families, who have information on their backgrounds, are also urged to contact him.

Aaron Nussbaum, who is also principal of the United Synagogue Day School, can be reached at 781-5658 or 636-8097.

GET YOUR DATELINE JERUSALEM

The second issue of Dateline Jerusalem, the new features magazine on the new and

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ANNIVERSARY KICKOFF

Hebrew University of Jerusalem chancellor Avraham Harman and his wife Zena were guests of honor at a recent cocktail party kicking off the 40th anniversary celebrations of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University. In Toronto, the highlight of the celebrations will be a dinner dance April 26 at the Four Seasons Hotel with special guest entertainer Sammy Davis Jr. The dinner's honoree will be the university itself. From left to right (back row): Manny Elkind; Jack Hauer, one of the three dinner chairmen at whose home the cocktail party was held; Dr. Harman; and Dr. Charles Gold, Toronto chapter president and a dinner chairman. From left to right (front row): Lorraine Elkind, one of the dinner chairmen; Amy Hauer; Mrs. Harman, and Marilyn Gold.

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What's New

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contemporary in Israel, is currently available at the Jewish Community Centre, selected Jewish book stores and synagogues . . . free of charge.

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COUPLES GROUP MEETING

Kehillat Shaarei Torah Couples Group meets on Saturday, Jan. 28, at 8.30 p.m. at the home of **Donna and Julian Pencharz**, 55 Shadberry Dr. (Don Mills Rd. north of Finch). The meeting will focus on the Jewish Immigrant Aid Service, (JIAS) the agency that deals with the newly-arrived Jew who may be facing problems of where to live, where to send the children to school, how to make a living. Guest speaker will be JIAS executive director **Gordon Kaufman**, who will also present that JIAS film, We Are Our Brother's Keeper.

Reservations are a must, so call the committee chairman **Adele and Barney Breslow** at 498-7995.

NCSY FREE JEWISH HIGH SCHOOL

NCSY (National Conference of Synagogue Youth) continues its Free Jewish High School for youth grades 9-13. Classes are led by **Gary Levine** and **Murray Rosenthal** every Tuesday evening from 7.30-9.30 at Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St. (lower level). A guest speaker is featured every week specializing in informative topics. Refreshments follow. For further information about this and other NCSY events, call the regional director at 782-3117.

JAPAN TOUR DATE CHANGE

There has been a change of date for the 16-day Japan deluxe art and cultural tour organized by the Koffler Gallery of the Koffler Centre of the Arts. Group will now leave Toronto Friday, May 18, at 9.30 a.m. to return June 3. Tour includes visits to numerous cities, an inland sea cruise, museum, shrine and gallery tours, national parks, outdoor sculpture museum, the world famous stained glass Temple of Happiness and the museum of modern art in Hakone. Space is still available. Call 636-2145.

SYMPOSIUM ON MEDIA VIOLENCE

A symposium on media violence and pornography is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 5, at Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE), 252 Bloor St. W. Major sexual violence investigators will speak and show visual materials. Among the VIP speakers will be U.S. Surgeon General **Everett Koop**. For information and registration, call OISE at 923-6641.

ADULT DAYTIME CLASSES

William Lyon Mackenzie Collegiate is offering six adult courses to be given in the mornings on regular school days from February to June. Courses include industrial arts, typing, modern office procedures, introductory and advanced accounting, and modern Jewish literature. Classes begin Monday, Feb. 6. To register, call the adult courses secretary at 636-0580. Courses are free except for nominal material fees.

AFTERNOON DROP-IN PROGRAM

Space is still available for anyone interested in the Earl Bales Afternoon Drop-In Program for parents and pre-schoolers (newborn to 5 years). Program runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1.30-4 p.m. through to March 8 at Earl Bales Community Centre. If you have any questions, contact **Sue** at 638-4330 or **Marlene Hesas**, community recreation co-ordinator, at 636-0359.

at the jcc

Registration is now on at the Jewish Community Centre northern branch, 4588 Bathurst St. for senior kindergarten (age 5) in the afternoon for 1984-85. Call **Rona Kushansky** at the JCC at 636-1880, ext. 229.

Topics Unlimited series, organized by PACE department of the Koffler Centre of the Arts, presents a talk on Creative Problem Solving by **Marci Segal** on Monday, Feb. 6, from 12.30-2 p.m. in the teen lounge. Everyone is welcome. Admission is $1.

Registration is in full swing at the JCC for summer day camping 84. Ten camp programs for children ages 2-18 will provide stimulating, fun-filled summer experience under the direction of highly qualified camp staff. For brochure and information, call **Donna** at 636-1880, ext. 231.

The Loggia Gallery, Koffler Centre, will display works by **Attila J. Keszei** from Feb. 2-26. A mechanical engineer, the artist works in many media — ceramics, wood, cooper and bronze.

The Time Management Workshop for busy people who want to learn how to priorize and organize their work and time will be held Wednesday, Feb. 15, from 7.30-10 p.m. Workshop is arranged by PACE. Cost is $8.50 for JCC members and $11 for non-members. Pre-register by Feb. 13. For informaation, contact **Georgine Nash** at 636-1880, ext. 233 or 279.

At the Bloor branch — On Wednesday, Feb. 1, come out and discuss **Philip Roth's** Portnoy's Complaint. Discussion will take place in the board room of the Bloor JCC, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor) at 7 p.m. Admission is free. For information, call **Mark Egan** at 924-6211. . . . Registration is still open for a nature-wild life program for teens ages 12-14 with slide presentations and field trips. This promises to be an exciting experience. Call Mark. . . . An opera brunch is slated for Sunday, Jan. 29, from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. with performers from the Toronto City Opera Ensemble highlighting the upcoming 1984 season. Admission, including brunch, is $3 for JCC members and $4 for non-members. It takes place at the Bloor JCC. Tickets are available at the front office. There is limited seating so get yours now. . . . Sunday, Feb. 5, at 1 p.m. is Arcade Day, complete with computers and games for children and teens. Contact Mark Egan for information and details.

At the North-East branch — The North-East branch of the JCC continues its successful duplicate bridge club on Wednesday afternoon from 1-4 at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Fee is $1.75 for NE and JCC members and $2.25 for non-members each afternoon. Club is also expanding to offer intermediate bridge lessons on Monday evenings from 7-8 under the direction of **Ken Murray**, followed by duplicate bridge club at 8 p.m. For registration information, contact **Linda Friedman** at 889-0813. . . . Family Sunday Funday — Folk Day takes place Sunday, Jan. 29, from 2-4 p.m. at the JCC Valley. Enjoy the enchanting folk tales presented by professional storytellers and participate in an afternoon of folkdancing led by **Reva Diamond**. This is fun for the whole family. For information, call **Susan Levine** at 889-0813. . . . Join the NE Young Couples Club for an evening of ice skating on Saturday, Jan. 28, at Forest Hill Memorial Arena, 340 Chaplin Cres. from 8-9.30 p.m. and later meet at Village Patisserie, 335 Eglinton Ave. W. for refreshments. Call Suan Levine for further information.

singles

The **Young Adults Division of United Jewish Appeal** invites you to hear **Ze'ev Mankowitz**, lecturer-in-residence at Hebrew University in Jerusalem, speak on The Holocaust-Implications for Present-Day Jewish Leadership, on Sunday, Jan. 29, at 7.30 p.m. at the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St., 4th floor conference centre. Admission is $5. RSVP by calling 635-2883, ext. 172.

Jewish Singles Project Connect is offering a series of seven small group meetings to help singles in the Jewish community feel more in charge of their lives. These meetings will focus on communicating more effectively, overcoming shyness and increasing social skills, seeking goals and establishing oneself in the singles world. Groups will meet on Tuesdays from 8-9.30 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple beginning Feb. 21. Fee is $35 per series (fee adjustment can be arranged). For information, call **Gail Solish** at 498-5223.

On Wednesday, Feb. 1, come out and discuss Philip Roth's Portnoy's Complaint in a relaxed atmosphere. This discussion will be in the board room of the Bloor branch of the Jewish Community Centre, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor), at 7 p.m. **Mark Egan** if you wish further information at 924-6211.

North-East Jewish Single Parents — Book Reading and Discussion Group meets on Sunday, Jan. 29, at 8 p.m. to review **Bernard Malamud's** God's Grace and **Judith Guest's** Second Heaven. Charge is $1 for members and $2 for non-members. Call **Susan Levine** at the NE office at 889-0813 for location and further information.

Jewish Singles Project Connect **Re-Connect** life skills group for recently separated and divorced Jewish women will be meeting for mutual sharing and support on Tuesdays from Feb. 14-March 20 from 7.30-10 p.m. Fee is $15 (non-refundable). For registration, information and an interview, call 731-4600 mornings.

Project Connect's **Forum for Men Only** lecture and discussion for separated and divorced Jewish men focuses on social and emotional aspects of being single again. The date is Thursday, Jan. 26, from 8-10 p.m. at the JCC northern branch, 4588 Bathurst St., room 214. Refreshments will be served and there is no charge. Call 731-4600 for more information.

Jewish singles groups or organizations, call Jewish Singles Project Connect to advance calendar your activities or to publicize already scheduled functions on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-9 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A volunteer will take your information. Clear your dates as soon as possible. Call to get the latest in activities and other information. The number is 731-4600.

Holy Blossom Temple Single/Single Parents general meeting and brunch on Sunday, Jan. 29, at 11 a.m. in the board room features guest speaker **Gerda Freidberg** who will speak on Holocaust Survivors in Canada. This program is for members only. However, you may join the group, as a member, at this function. Reservations are a must. Call **Revel** at 789-1344 (after 6.30 p.m.) or **Elliott** at 638-3548 (also after 6.30 p.m.). . . A reminder about Shabbat services on Friday, Jan. 27, at 8.30 p.m. followed by a special Oneg Shabbat with refreshments in the board room.

Alternatives will be screening the movie Tootsie with **Dustin Hoffman** on Sunday, Jan. 29, at 6 p.m. Admission is $2 and includes refreshments. Call 783-0175 for location details.

There's a Jewish Singles Night at Pat and Mario's restaurant-club (northeast corner of Leslie and Finch) on Monday, Jan. 30, at 8.30 p.m. Cover charge is $4 but for ladies it is half price until 9.30 p.m. Call the restaurant at 497-9955 if you want more information.

Here's word about a singles trip to Israel — The Singles Professional Unit of B'nai B'rith and B'nai B'rith Women is sponsoring its second annual Israel trip May 15-31. It is open to singles ages 21-35. Last year's trip attracted singles from as far as Calgary to Augusta, Maine, followed by a Labor Day reunion in Maine. For more information, call the unit president, **Janet**, at (215) 245-0372.

Dimensions and **Alternatives** are having a pre-Valentines dance on Saturday, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m. at 788 Marlee Ave. There will be a cash bar, disc jockey, prizes and snacks. For information, call **Marshall** at 222-1352 or call 783-0175.

Singles 40 + at the JCC northern branch is showing If You Love This Planet, a National Film Board release regarding the nuclear issue, with discussion to follow, on Monday, Jan. 30, at 8 p.m. in the seniors lounge. Refreshments will be served. The charge is $1. For more information, call the JCC at 636-1880, or **Doris** at 636-1687.

Rabbi David Cooper's second annual singles trip to Israel departs May 1 for three weeks. The economy package includes 13 full days of touring, breakfast and dinner daily and departure from New York for $1,720 U.S. funds. Isram Travel is the land and air agent from New York. Join in this Independent Day tour. To receive an itinerary, call 635-0131.

Club Amal (26-40) invites singles to participate in a new discussion group on learning various aspects about investments, such as stock market and commodities. If interested, call **Sheldon** at 653-1381. Club is sponsored by Canadian Friends of Amal.

If you want to have lots of fun and help the Variety Club of Ontario raise funds for children's hospitals, check on three days of entertainment by singer Fabian and The Diamonds who will be appearing at Heaven, 90 Bloor St. E. Jan. 26, 27 and 28. Tickets are available through Bass outlets 698-2277.

for seniors

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club begins a new series of lectures on nutrition and cooking by Esther Schwartz on Monday, Jan. 30, at 1 p.m. . . . The Jewish literature and discussion group with **Nat Garnick** continues on Monday, Feb. 6, at 1 p.m. . . . Ongoing programs are Exercise for Health with **Marilyn Tkatch** on Mondays and Thursdays at 11 a.m.; dance classes with **Al Gladstone** at 12.30 p.m. every Wednesday, and oil painting Thursdays at 1 p.m. . . . There are still a few openings for the Purim trip to Israel and London. For information about the trip, call Merle at 499-4400, or the synagogue office at 789-3213.

Cranbrooke Friendship Club invites you to lunch every other Tuesday at 1 p.m. plus entertainment. Charge is $1.25. The program on Jan. 31 features **Dr. Arnold Iscove** as guest speaker. Meetings take place at the Morris Winchevsky Centre, 585 Cranbrooke Ave. Call **Eva Brownstone** at 787-3606 if you would like further information.

Holy Blossom Temple Alumni meets on Wednesday, Feb. 1, at 1.30 p.m. for a book review of **Nadine Gordimer's** July's People by **Irene Fink** plus the speaker's personal impressions of South Africa.

The **Adath Sholom Jubilee Club** has reserved a spot for you at any or all of the following activities — Folk and line dancing with instructor **Al Gladstone** on Tuesday mornings at 10; Jubilee Choir and Performance group conducted by **Beverley Breslow** on Wednesdays at 9.15 a.m.; Fitness and dancercise classes with **Marilyn Tkatch** on Wednesdays at 10.30 a.m. (following choir practice). These programs are offered at no charge and are held at Adath Sholom Synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W. For information, contact the synagogue office at 635-0131. . . . A reminder — The Jubilee Club still has a few tickets left for the Mid-Winter Night's Dance on Saturday, Jan. 28, from 8-11 p.m. at the synagogue. Enjoy the music of **Moishe Turk** and his orchestra, light refreshments and perhaps win a door prize. There will be gifts for all the ladies. General admission is $4 and for Jubilee Club members it is $3. For information and tickets, contact the synagogue office at 635-0131.

The Tuesday, Jan. 31, program of the **Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50,** will be Israel government tourist films Eilat and More and Jerusalem with Don McLean. Refreshment and coffee will be served and everyone is welcome. Charge for non-members is $1.50. Program begins at 1.15 p.m.

Club Chaverim, the North-East Jewish seniors group, meets every Monday at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. On Monday, Jan. 30, the program from 1.30-3 p.m. will focus on Israel Past and Present with a travelogue presented by **Emile Aufgang** of Aufgang Travel Agency and **Gil Kaynan** of the Israel Tourist Office. Morning

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AGO OPENING

Attending the recent opening of the Mystic North exhibit at the Art Gallery of Ontario are, left to right, Roald Nagaard, chief curator at the AGO; William Withrow, AGO director; Susan Fish, Ontario minister of citizenship and culture, and Frederick Eaton, vice-president of the executive committee of the AGO board of trustees. [Gary Beechey photo]

Organizations and People

What's New

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programs of oil painting, bridge, variety club, English as a second language and fitness run from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Bring your own dairy lunch or enjoy the variety of cheeses, herring, egg and tuna salads, fresh fruit and vegetables offered (all you can eat) for $1, and stay on for the program. Call **Rose Shapiro** at 889-0813 for more information.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The **Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living's** Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI) is presenting educator **Charles Blum** in a talk on Jewish Relations with Non-Jews on Tuesday, Jan. 31, at 1.15 p.m. There is no charge and everyone is welcome.

The LLI lecture on Jewish Nobel Prize Winners by **Prof. Isaac Bar-Lewaw** originally scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 25, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, has been changed to Thursday, Feb. 2. On Jan. 25, Prof. Bar-Lewaw will continue with the topic Great Jews Who Influenced History — From Abraham to Einstein.

The first of two Health Information lectures to be given during Heart Month (February) is arranged for Thursday, Feb. 2, at 1 p.m. on the subject CPR — What Is It? Can You Save a Life? A trained volunteer of the Ontario Heart Foundation will be at the centre to describe the CPR training course and its objectives. Lecture is free and open to the community.

The Sunday afternoon program on Jan. 29, features Yemenite singer **Rachel Nadav** with a repertoire of Israeli and Hebrew tunes to her own accompaniment on the guitar and **Dahlia Nadav** on the drums. Charge is 50 cents for members and $1 for non-members. Cafeteria is open for light refreshments. Time is 2 p.m.

The Wednesday afternoon social on Feb. 1, presents the Leo Baeck Children's Choir under the direction of **Susan Baskin**. That's at 1.15 p.m.

There is the Sunday night dance party on Jan. 29, at 7.30 with dancing to the live music of the Creative Band. Charge is $2 for members and $2.50 for non-members.

The centre is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

SCHOOL SUPPORT

Shaarei Shomayim Congregation has pledged support for the Associated Hebrew Schools Leslie building campaign and recently presented the first check for $5,000. From left to right are Associated officers: chairman of the board Louis Weisfeld, president Harold Dessen, and immediate past president and associate chairman of Leslie Building Fund committee Sam Shainhouse; and Shaarei Shomayim officers: president Dr. Bernard Green, treasurer Dr. Mel Kay and vice-president Martin Sable. [Stephen Epstein photo]

About People

PIANIST WINS AWARD

Eighteen-year-old pianist **Yuval Fichman** has been named the inaugural recipient of the Sinai Musical Legacy Award.

Born in Israel, Yuval emigrated to Canada with his family in 1967. As a scholarship student at Toronto's Royal Conservatory, he graduated at 16 with his ARCT performance diploma and the gold medal for the highest mark in Canada. Yuval made his debut with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra under music director **Andrew Davis** in July of 1982.

With the establishment of the award, made possible through the generosity of **Helen and Joseph Berman** and the **Darren Kendal** Memorial Endowment, Temple Sinai recognizes the talents of young musical artists and encourages their careers.

The award will be presented at the temple on Friday evening, Feb. 24, and Yuval will offer a pinao recital following the services.

BENEFIT SOCIETY OFFICERS

The 1984 officers of the Hebrew Friendly Sons of David Mutual Benefit Society were installed at a breakfast meeting recently at the Radomer Hall. President is **Michael Jacobs**, vice-president is **Paul Jacobs** (he is also immediate past president), financial secretary is **Lou Baker**, recording secretary is **Howard Fishman** and treasurer is **Raymond Jacobs. Ami Karp** and **David Fisher** are social chairmen.

The Hebrew Friendly Society was founded in the early 1900s and amalgamated with the Sons of David Mutual Benefit Society in 1962. There are now about 100 members who meet on a monthly basis. If you would like to know more about it, contact **Murray Helber** at 635-5905 or **Nat Green** at 665-4685.

TEACHERS EXECUTIVE

At a recent general meeting of the Federation of Teachers in Hebrew Schools a new executive was elected for a 2-year term. Executive members are: president, **Sam Kapustin**; vice-presidents, **Freda Steinberg** and **Rabbi Baruch Kempinski**; recording secretary, **Rouhama Danto**; corresponding secretary, **Ilana Ovadya**; treasurer, **Edward Yuditsky** and immediate past president, **Rabbi I. Lipskar.**

Students shaken by USSR visit

By
SHERYL HALPERN

MONTREAL — Steven Singerman, director of McGill University's Hillel Student Society, and McGill student Charles Small, have recently returned from a 2-week trip to the Soviet Union where they spoke to 14 to 20 families of Refuseniks. The two, members of McGill's Student Struggle for Soviet Jews, are still shaken at what they heard and saw.

"I knew it was bad, but not this bad," says Small.

"I have mixed feelings," says Singerman. "I'm very angry about the obscenities, brutalities, the blatant violations of human rights, the anti-semitism we heard about and saw in Moscow and Leningrad."

Among the Refuseniks Singerman and Small remember meeting is Benjamin Bogomoly — "who's been a Refusenik for 17 years; he's in the Guinness Book of Records as the longest-held Refusenik. His family was allowed to leave in the 1970s; he was drafted into the army, then discharged because he had bleeding ulcers.

"He was told he would not have security clearance to leave until 1981. It's now 1984, and he still hasn't got it."

They visited the families of Irina Taratuta (denied permission to leave the USSR because she had "state secrets" — she translated American scientific documents available at any library) and Boris Kalenderov (who was expelled from school and sent to a labor camp for two years.) They heard stories of torture, harassment, the splitting up of families.

Anti-semitism was everywhere, says Singerman. "There were anti-Zionist posters on the walls of our hotel lobby in Moscow."

Singerman and Small also found out that teaching or studying Hebrew was considered an illegal act by Soviet authorities. "We heard of one man who got 12 years in jail for teaching Hebrew."

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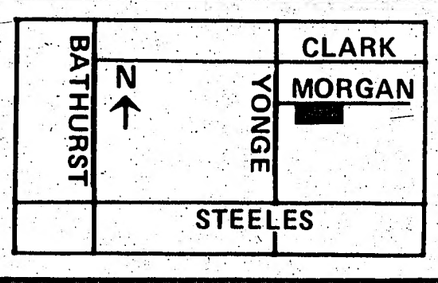

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Ronen named Network North American president

Student organization plans political task force

By
TOBY TROMPETER

[Toby Trompeter was a Toronto delegate at the International Jewish Students' Network convention held during the winter school break in Tarrytown, NY. She supplied The CJN with the following information on the convention.]

TARRYTOWN, NY —
Over 200 Canadians represented an overwhelming majority of the nearly 400 students recently gathered for the International Jewish Students' Network convention.

One of the top posts in the organization went to Canadian Moshe Ronen, 25, of Toronto, who becomes Network's new North American president.

Naomi Jacobs, 22, of Hamilton, and a graduate of Toronto's Ulpa-not Orot, becomes Canadian national chairman, the first woman to hold the position.

Both are students at Osgoode Hall in Toronto.

Resolutions passed at the convention called for the establishment of a task force to develop a young political leaders mission to Israel, and to advance Israel's case among campus leaders and raise the political consciousness and involvement of Jewish students.

"It's important for politicians to become aware that students represent an awful lot of votes . . . it's time for us to educate ourselves and get out there," said Jacobs.

Students have a strategic advantage because they are relatively unattached, she said. "We can do activist things. You won't get the doctors and lawyers to scream at the politicians. Students can make a tremendous impact by getting more politically involved."

In Canada, Network will contact the youth divisions of the three major Canadian parties, and will try for face-to-face meetings with political leaders and candidates in order to influence Canada's policy regarding Israel and her interests.

In her acceptance address, Jacobs said that Jewish education is a corequisite to Jewish student activism. In order to stay involved and maintain an active commitment, Jacobs believes a strong sense of Jewish identity is necessary.

She is a former director of Camp Biluim, the national leadership training institute of Young Judaea, and a recipient of the Leonard Wolinsky Scholarship for education, which she used to attend the 1-year program at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem during her studies in political science at York University.

Political leadership development, the plight of Syrian Jewry, and hitting the small campuses to involve Jewish students from the new Atlantic region all the way to the West are priorities for her.

Other Network plans include lobbying for better opportunities for the disabled to participate in Jewish religious and cultural activities; education and cultural events to preserve the Sephardic cultural heritage; programs on Soviet Jewry; and outreach programs to young adults and younger students, including supporting the work of Nahon, the North American High School Organization Network.

Network is an independent umbrella organization of Jewish student groups, and representatives at the conference covered the range from Chabad Lubavitch to Hebrew Union College.

In Toronto, Network can be reached at (416) 928-9160. Regional representatives are: Jeff Goldstein, Winnipeg (West); Dan Ronen, Toronto (Central); Susan Lahijianian, Quebec and Ottawa (East); and Susan Marshall, Halifax (Atlantic).

Moshe Ronen of Toronto, North American president of Network and Canadian national chairman Naomi Jacobs of Hamilton. Jacobs is the first woman to hold the Canadian post. [Graphic Artists photo]

Fraternity establishes Hebrew U scholarship

TORONTO —
Alpha Omega Fraternity of Toronto has established a scholarship fund at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem's faculty of dental medicine in memory of Dr. John A. Sherman, who died last year.

Sherman was a pioneer of the dental faculty, Alpha Omega and Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University. He was a past international president of Alpha Omega and a founder of the Alpha Omega Foundation of Canada, the fraternity's philanthropic arm.

According to Toronto periodontist Dr. Harvey Taub, secretary-treasurer of the foundation, Sherman had "instigated a fund for dental education in Israel to be collected by tribute cards. This built up in small amounts and by the time he died there was enough in the fund, supplemented by other donations by family and friends, to establish our scholarship."

The Dr. John A. Sherman — Toronto Alpha Omega Scholarship will be awarded annually to a graduate student in the second-last year of training at the dental school. It will be given to the candidate most in need of financial aid who also has the best academic record.

"John loved that school, so it makes sense that we'd want to honor him there," Taub said.

Dr. John Sherman

Sherman was first chairman of the dental division of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, a position he held for almost 30 years. Sherman and his wife, Etta, received the Medal of the Hebrew University for their services on its behalf.

Mrs. Sherman is still actively involved with Alpha Omega Women, of which she was a founding member. She is an honorary vice-president of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

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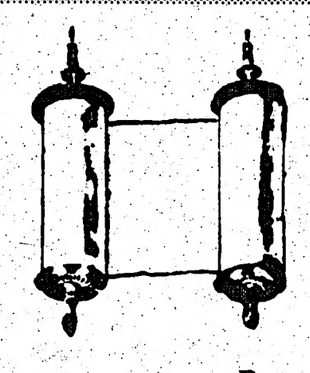

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Mishpatim

You can tell by a person's wallet whether he's really pious. Religion begins with honesty.

A certain man was deeply in debt, hounded by creditors. His friend gave him morbid advice. "Let it be announced that you died, and your creditors will have to forgive you."

He had himself laid out in a coffin, and one by one his creditors tearfully cried over him: "We forgive you, we forgive you!"

One creditor, though, lost a huge sum. He was furious. He stood by the coffin and shouted: "You left me holding the bag for thousands: Dead or not, I'm going to pluck your eyes out —"

The "dead" debtor quickly lifted his head. "You, I'll pay."

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A Jew has to do not only what's right by law — he has to do what's right — by right!

This week's parsha deals with business, damages, theft, responsibility. What do you do when there's suspicion — but no proof? Sometimes we say that the decision is in abeyance — "ad sheh'yaho Eliyah . . . until Elijah the prophet comes . . ."

Said the Baal Lachmei Torah: It says in Jeremiah that in the final days "the transgressions of Israel will be searched for — but it will be impossible to find . . ." (Jeremiah 50:20).

What? Will people be so honest that it will be impossible to find thieves and chiselers? But in the end of days, there will be no thieves, because what in the old days was theft, people will have ways of slipping out of "legally." A government will murder by the millions — and call it "political action . . ."

Only Elijah will be able to set things straight!

* * *

We must be generous with our wealth.

Says the Torah: "If you lend money to my people — even the poor person with you . . ."

Why does it have to mention "et he'anee imach — the poor person with you?" Of course he is "with you." Where else?

But — explains the Mayanot Hanetzach — it teaches that if G-d grants you enough money that you are able to lend to someone else, it is not just your money you are lending . . . "Even the poor person with you!" You are lending the poor person money that really should be his portion, but G-d has put into your hands.

Uch and vey a person who gives charity or lends money and pats himself on the shoulder — "look at what I've done." What we can do for others is almost nothing. Only Hashem helps. But what a mitzvah we have in ourselves! Every minute should bring new kindness.

And modesty. Rabbi Mensheh of Ilya entered a rabbi's study and saw him deciding a difficult legal case by himself.

"Where is your Beth Din of three rabbis?" inquired Reb Menasheh.

"Me and the Gemara and the Shulchan Aruch (Code of Jewish law) make three," he answered haughtily.

Commented Rabbi Menasheh: "The talmud states that the pure of mind in Jerusalem never sit down at a Beth Din unless they know who their fellow Beth din members are. That means you have to know the Gemara and Shulchan Aruch!"

Shabbat Shalom.

Friends keep Schlifer's dream alive

Clinic will serve victims of violence

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Barbara Schlifer died on April 11, 1980. The young Jewish lawyer was the victim of a brutal attack that took place near her home on the night she was called to the bar.

Before Barbara died, she had a dream of opening a clinic to help women who encounter violence. She became a victim of violence herself before she could even begin helping others.

Fortunately, Barbara had friends and colleagues who were determined to keep her dream alive. Now, four years later, these people are planning to open the Barbara Schifer Commemorative Clinic in the fall of 1984 in Barbara's memory.

The objectives of the clinics are to serve women in the Metro Toronto area who are subjected to violence or threats of violence, including common assault, wife assault, sexual assault, sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

The clinic will offer an extensive range of services, including legal advocacy, emotional support, crisis counseling, ongoing therapy, public education programs, job counseling and a 24-hour-a-day crisis telephone line.

Helen LaFountaine, one of five members of the clinic's board of directors, says that there is nothing like this concept presently in Toronto.

"Women now often do not know where to turn first when they are in a crisis. They may have a lot of needs to be met, yet there is not one central place for them to go," LaFontaine says.

She says the board's goal is to raise $250,000 from individuals, corporate donors, foundations and governments. The board is now in the process of applying for government grants. Fund raising campaigns began last October.

Recently, Rosemary Dunsmore gave a benefit performance of Single for the Barbara Schlifer Commemorative Clinic at the Bayview Playhouse Theatre. All proceeds went to the clinic and $5,000 was raised.

LaFontaine, who is president of Women and Associates Consulting, says there is still a feeling among many women that if something happens to them it is their fault.

"Women often think that they must have done something to provoke an attack. Even in court the defence lawyer asks why they were where they were when the attack took place," she says.

She says that women often feel too guilty to seek help.

"We want to teach women that violent encounters do not necessarily take place because of provocation on the woman's part. We want to help them deal with the situation realistically and help rid them of any guilt they may feel," LaFontaine says.

Being Jewish, she feels that it is essential that Jewish women "start to acknowledge that these things happen to them as well as to other women.

"We are all responsible for each other and for our life in this city, and we must realize that violent encounters can happen to any woman. They do not have to be bad or careless," says LaFontaine.

"We wish we didn't have to open such a clinic but we're not in a utopia where nothing bad happens."

LaFontaine says that her passionate interest in the clinic came out of years of involvement in women's issues such as violence, pornography and employment matters.

"I am very excited about it. We have a huge job in front of us . . . but all we need are contributions," she says.

LaFontaine says the directors are planning a fund raising event every month so the clinic will "remain in the public eye."

Donations are being accepted at all Metro Toronto branches of the Royal Bank, or may be sent directly to the clinic at 330 Dupont St., 3rd floor, Toronto, M5R 1V9.

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CKEY 590 will do live broadcasts from Meyers starting at noon Jan. 28 and in-flight personnel from Air Canada will be on hand to collect donations.

Organizations and People

Leah Rabin speaks to Bonds women

Aridor blamed for Israel's economic situation

By
SHERYL HALPERN

MONTREAL —
Leah Rabin, wife of former Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, is optimistic about Israel's chances for economic recovery and improved relations with its allies, but pessemistic about prospects for a lasting peace in the Middle East.

Speaking at a recent breakfast meeting of State of Israel Bonds Women's Division, Rabin discussed Israel's current economic slump: "It's no secret about the situation in Israel; things are very tough economically. With the drop in bank shares, people lost an enormous amount of money. They also lost trust in the banks, in economic security. When this collapses in front of you, who is there to trust?"

Leah Rabin, right, with Ariela Cotler.

She blames the policies of former Finance Minister Yoram Aridor for the high living and the stock market speculation that led to the slump ["he wanted to do good things for the people and did harm to the country"] and adds that "I believe that the stock market ruined the morale of workers . . . ruined our productivity."

She feels that "we'll have the economy under control soon, under the present government or another to come. . . . What we have to do now is work, work. We have to really start living on what we can produce."

Part of the economic problem, however, is related to the high cost of Israeli defence. "We can work 24 hours a day, and never cover our expenses for security," says Rabin. "We spend far beyond what any other country spends for defence — 18% of the gross national product. I am sorry that I do not see this changing in the future.

"I can't see a day when we will not need a very strong army to deter the Arab nations (from making war.) But we can work harder and improve the balance of payments. And inflation, though it is wild, can be curbed."

Because of defence spending, though, Israel needs additional funds to keep its economy going.

Rabin says that Israel is not ashamed of its reliance on American aid: "We have no hang-ups about turning for aid to the U.S. We are their ally — the only really democratic country in the Middle East."

But she cautions that "the honeymoon may not last forever. Now, the U.S. and Israel are linked together in Lebanon. But the day the U.S. pulls out its Marines is the day the conflicts start. And if Reagan is re-elected, he will begin to put pressure again on Israel about the West Bank and the Palestinians."

About Israel's closest ally, Diaspora Jewry, Rabin said: "We have great respect for the work that you've been doing, and we don't take it for granted. We trust you will continue the hard work."

She praised, in particular, Project Renewal, the twinning of cities in North America and in Israel, that has resulted in much Israeli urban renewal.

As important as economic support is aliya, says Rabin. She believes that workers for Israel should at least visit Israel frequently, that "there's no excuse" not to do so.

And if economic support is welcome, criticism, even from Diaspora allies, is less so: "Do we expect you to support us by rubber-stamping our positions? No, you are entitled to your views, but you should express them only in certain places — for example, on your trips to Israel. We in Israel are divided on many issues — the war in Lebanon, the financial issues. But it has to stay in the family."

Rabin, who was Israel's delegate at the International Women's Conference held in Mexico in 1975 under auspices of the United Nations, remembered her experiences there: "When I got up to speak, two-thirds of the audience — many of them from the Arab bloc — got up and left the room."

She said that she is not involved in preparations for the International Women's Conference to be held in Nairobi in 1985. "The conferences are such a heartbreak. You know the situation at the UN; it is never different . . . all the lies about how cruelly the Israelis treat the Palestinians.

"What purpose is there in going? Our voice is hardly heard. Maybe we'll be there, but it's a very hard mission."

The meeting was chaired by Ariela Cotler, chairman of Women's Division, Israel Bonds.

Anti-semitism answer means keeping tradition

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —
The only answer to anti-semitism is for Jews to acknowledge that we are different, and not try to assimilate with non-Jewish cultures, says Dr. Morton Manilla, co-chairman of the B'nai B'rith fact finding committee of the League for Human Rights.

"Jewish tradition asserts that there is an ongoing difference between Jews and non-Jews. To try to close this tradition is to chase a delusion," said Manilla last week, speaking at a Men's Breakfast Club meeting at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue.

Manilla, who has done extensive studies on anti-semitism, said that many Jews try to ward off the anxiety of being Jewish in a non-Jewish world by "playing down our differences.

"It is a defence mechanism that does not work in the long run. Trying to hide differences makes Jews weaker and more anxious."

Manilla added that this anxiety encourages anti-semites to be more aggressive.

"The polarity of Judaism and other cultures is always there. This conflict cannot be papered over by assimilation," he said.

He said that it is essential to Jewish identity to have a thorough knowledge of Jewish tradition and culture.

Bonds proceeds boost for Israel

MONTREAL —
The Israel Bond Organization produced a total of $475,343,250 in cash proceeds in 1983 for Israel's economic development through sales of its various securities, it was announced last week by Thomas O. Hecht, national president, State of Israel Bonds Canada.

The 1983 results brought to more than $6.5 billion the proceeds that the Bond organization, since its inception in 1951, has channeled into the development budget of the State of Israel. Israel has repaid more than $3.3 billion.

Commenting on the 1983 figures, Hecht said: "Our 1983 campaign was a good one. These results were achieved despite various problems from a sales point of view. They reflect the continuing unity of Jewish communities abroad with the people of Israel and their determination to mobilize maximum development funds for the strengthening of Israel's economy."

Hecht stated that in addition to the response by Jewish communities, our 1983 achievement was due to the continuing participation by key elements of the corporate world, labor, and the banking community.

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Death of close friend changes view

MARILYN WEITHORN pays tribute here to her close friend Carolyn Rosenberg of Toronto, who was killed recently in a traffic accident. Marilyn expresses her shock at facing up to the reality that we are all mere mortals.

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Everyone who knew Carolyn Rosenberg was appreciative of her unfailing cheerfulness and sunny disposition. She thought highly of herself and this strong self-image caused others to think as highly.

Carolyn was at her best with people — one look, one word from her, meant laughter.

Carolyn Rosenberg

She was an extremely sensitive person, knowing when to talk and when to listen. She was the most loyal, loving friend, sister and daughter anyone could have hoped for.

Carolyn was an art-history major at York University where she showed promise of a superb career in teaching. It was on the way to an exam, just minutes from the university, when a fateful, tragic car accident occurred on Jan. 9 that was to claim her life at the age of 20.

Intellectually we know that death is a reality for us. But emotionally, it's always something that happens to others. We had a sense of immortality. And then, suddenly, not simply through a void in our lives because a friend was gone, but through a void in our expectations, we were forced to put things into their proper perspective — that we were indeed mortal — and to appreciate what we had while we still could.

Of the many young people who gathered at the Rosenberg home after the funeral, not one had driven his car. It was a graphic indication of the realization that it could happen to us. I found that I was not alone in my thoughts — that all of our confidence had been shattered . . . the brashness of youth quelled. We were reluctant to drive, indeed to risk at all. The shiva had become a period of self-examination.

Here we were, urbane, sophisticated — so we thought — and suddenly this shocking experience tore away at this veneer and we took a good look at ourselves. We were secure socially, psychologically, physically and emotionally; in a word, privileged. But we hadn't realized until now.

As we sat there it came to us that so much of our lives, our worries, were bound up in trivialities. The deadline at school, demands of a job, peer pressure, the dating game, the importance of money . . . all underlying so many of our concerns and pursuits. Clothes, holidays, cars — the marks of a generation that has often been indulged and been self-indulgent.

We looked to the future and, tragically, realized by doing so that life right now was not being given its due. We look forward to 3.30 or 5 or Friday or summer or next year. And today languishes because we are banking on a host of tomorrows.

Experience is a hard teacher but none of us knew just how hard until we began sharing our grief. None of us had realized the extent to which we had loosened our grasp on the really important things in life — people, friendship, love, caring and sharing. And sharing was the hallmark of Carolyn Rosenberg.

To Carolyn, who shared her smile, her wit, her warmth, and above all, that special, invaluable quality called friendship with so many — we will always hold you as an example of the good things in life: the joys, the aspirations, the love for people . . . to live each day not because it may be your last, but instead because it is so special.

So to Carolyn, my dear friend . . . thank you.

Lovingly . . . with condolences to Carolyn's parents and her sister Joanne.

And with special thanks to George Welsh, for helping me to organize my thoughts.

— MARILYN WEITHORN

Business supports Junior Achievement

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO — Junior Achievement of Canada kicked off its 1984 fund raising campaign with strong initial support from the business community.

The non-profit organization was given a push towards its goal of raising $350,000 by April 24 when corporations led by Bell Canada announced donations of $41,000.

The announcement was made at a breakfast held at the King Edward Hotel which saw corporate giants such as Cara, Baton Broadcasting and North American Life gather in support of the organizations' goal of helping young people get their first exposure to the business world.

Several junior achievement spokesmen called on the 400 executives and business people present to put all their powers of persuasion and marketing skills to use in selling their "product — having kids learn about free enterprise."

They urged the business people to donate their time to help solicit donations in the corporate community. Volunteers from major corporations, including Imasco, Dylex and Green & Ross, do much of the legwork necessary in approaching their colleagues to provide funds for JA.

Junior Achievement director of business relations Beth Usselman told The CJN the funds raised through the tax-deductible donations go to finance programs aimed at giving high school students practical experience in all aspects of business, from incorporating companies to manufacturing and selling products.

She said volunteers work with students from high schools to provide the guidance necessary for these young achievers. In North York, she said, students from York Mills, Bathurst Heights and Sir Sanford Fleming participate in JA programs.

Volunteer executives also take part in an in-school program for children in grades 8-9, called Project Business. Over the course of a 12-18 week period, a business executive working with the teacher provides basic information about business, takes students on field trips to different types of businesses, sets up mock employment interviews and discusses the education required to qualify for various positions.

One of the senior achievers, grade 13 student Nancy Cassidy, told the guests her four years in junior achievement have given her confidence and an "understanding of being responsible."

Another junior achiever, grade 11 student Maria Amuchastegui, told The CJN she joined junior achievement in part for fun, but has since learned some practical lessons, including "learning the meaning of the word deadline."

All schools are encouraged to call Junior Achievement, Usselman said. "If they're interested, we'd love to set up something for them."

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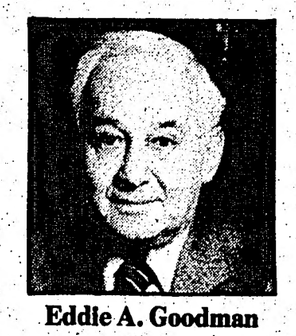

Eddie A. Goodman

The BAYCREST CAMPAIGN is coming out of hibernation!

Already, several of our campaign divisions have held meetings to ensure we complete the campaign as successfully as we started in March, '83.

Setting the pace for what has been a busy month of activity is the Business and Professions Division. At a social gathering hosted by B & P Chairman **Mark Gross** and his wife, **Helen**, group chairmen turned out to renew acquaintances and their commitment to covering all cards. Special guest, **Norman Schipper**, offered a word of thanks on behalf of the Baycrest Board of Directors, and extended sincere wishes for a successful 1984 campaign drive. According to reports, this dynamic group feels it is well underway to tackling the final challenge and going beyond its original goal. Amongst those present included: **Fred and May Karp, Dam and Anna Spivak, Arnold and Molly Shear, Dorothy and Lou Zelfman, Murray and Betty Sherr, Bunny and Jetta Bergstein, Marvin and Linda Wenger, Dorothy Gordon, Sam and Nancy Ruth, Steve and Susan Rudin, Norman and Estelle Schipper, Lawrence and Sally Brenzel, Norman and Barbara White, and Betty and Marshall Cohen.**

Marvin Geist

Allen Dessau

We offer special recognition this week to Men's Service Group Deputy Chairmen **Allan Dessau and Marvin Geist**, who held a very successful campaign kick-off on Janauary 16th. Campaign Director **Norman White** was on hand to congratulate this group for their "outstanding efforts in 1983." Already, MSG canvassers were eager to take cards and swing into action, as demonstrated by one canvasser who suggested he could single-handedly reach the division's new campaign total! MSG supporters included: **Harry Arbus, Bob Bader, Jack Constant, Harold Fraser, Moe Freedman, Ben Goldmintz, Robert Kay, Phil Lidsky, Max Mandel, Gordon Mendly, Jonathan Miller, Lorne Miller, Sam Rife, Irving Schacter, Alan Schwartz, Les Smith, Harry Sommer, Jack Wainberg, Ted Waldman, Leo Winnick, and Abe Wolf.**

Also from the Service Groups Division, the Women's auxiliary will soon be launching its campaign with a luncheon at the home of **Helen Marr**. Attendance is expected to be high as WA members unveil their plan of action and assign cards.

As campaign co-chairmen, we are inspired by the amount of activity already taking place so early in the new year.

On behalf of the Campaign, we would also like to extend a special thanks to so many people who have voluntarily made their pledges by phone without waiting for a busy canvasser to make the initial contact. Such gifts are all the more appreciated and welcomed. We look forward to an exciting new beginning to a record-breaking campaign!

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Organizations and People

$800 million development planned

Doctors Hospital gets support from Eggleton

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Toronto Mayor Art Eggleton has promised to "work as expeditously as possible at city hall" to assist a projected $800 million development and upgrading of Doctors Hospital.

The mayor told hospital officials recently he was "impressed" with the plans for the design of the proposed facilities, which, he said, offered a "very exciting possibility for the future of the hospital."

Eggleton made the comments shortly after he and members of the media completed a walking tour of the 99-year old hospital.

Named for the four Raxlen brothers — three doctors and a dentist — who purchased it in 1953 and operated it as a private hospital, Doctors Hospital still serves largely immigrant patients in the heart of Toronto's ethnic area.

While at one time Jews were the main recipients of its health care service, today members of many ethnic groups, including Portuguese, Italians, Chinese and Koreans can be found in the 300-bed facility.

Bernice Moore, head of hospital public relations, told The CJN Eggleton was invited to tour the hospital and see the development plans after opposition to the proposed development surfaced at community meetings.

Following his tour, Eggleton acknowledged "people were making use of cramped space" and he said he understood "why the hospital needs new quarters and new buildings."

Dr. Leo Chaikof, chief of surgery at the hospital, told The CJN that patients would be the chief beneficiaries of the proposed development. He said there is a shortage of beds with "a lot of (chronic-care) patients piling up in acute-care beds."

Chaikof pointed out there are now no waiting rooms for visitors to the hospital, nor any rooms for teaching. Some of the teaching involving medical students and interns, he said, "goes on in the corridors."

Chief of Staff Dr. Norman Green explained that the plan of construction is to "build in phases," beginning with doctors' offices on College St. and concluding with the construction of a badly needed 280-bed chronic-care facility.

The community "health campus" that will result after the 10-year development is completed will house medical, dental and optical offices as well as a 200-bed acute-care hospital. Various social agencies — including agencies involved in family counseling and planning, drug addiction care and a rape crisis centre — will also be located in the proposed complex.

Before construction of the new hospital can begin, city authorities must approve rezoning applications.

The hospital's director of planning, Peter Strahy, told The CJN that despite opposition to the plan, he was hopeful the applications could be resolved this year. He said the hospital has spent "tens of thousands of dollars to modify the design" of the buildings to take the neighborhood's "Victorian" style into consideration.

Fund raising for the one-third of the cost that must be raised privately has not yet begun, but — Green said several fund raisers are now "planning the attack." He expected they would "try to get the interest of some big corporations" before approaching the general public for donations.

Mayor Art Eggleton views model of the proposed design for the new Community Health Campus at Doctors Hospital. With the mayor are, from left, executive director Brian McFarlane and director of planning, Peter Strahy.

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Send entries, no later than March 31, to Thoughts of the Past, Toronto Sesquicentennial Board, 2nd Floor, Bell Trinity Square, 483 Bay St., M5G 2C9.

If you're not a writer and are a Jewish senior with interesting memories to relate about the Jewish community of Toronto and other Ontario centres, The CJN would like to hear from you. We plan a Jewish Nostalgia Celebration Supplement in March, and oldsters who would like to be interviewed are invited to telephone Frank Rasky at The CJN [416] 481-6434.

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Organizations and People

Plans to cut back on professional work

Kolber makes clear role he'll play in Senate

in my view

By CHARLES LAZARUS

MONTREAL — E. Leo Kolber, for the many years our paths have crossed and considering his prominence in the corporate and corporal world, has never been known as a ready subject to be interviewed.

Whatever reasons for the reticence to make his views known in the public prints, this sometimes makes it tough for headline-hunting journalists to practice their trade . . . but those are the pitfalls of newsgathering.

However, things have changed somewhat now that Kolber has officially become Senator E. Leo Kolber; and the other day, there I was sitting in his Cemp Investments office on the skyscraper floor of the CIL Building, and there was the senator submitting to an interview.

He made some interesting, indeed significant points largely because Kolber's views on issues both Jewish and non-Jewish, have rarely, if ever, become conversation pieces at social gatherings since he has always seemed less than interested in publishing them.

But now, Senator Kolber is a public figure and, if you will, even a public servant (at least theoretically) with what he considers clear responsibility and accountability to all Canadian citizens.

"Let me make this very clear," he said, "I am a Canadian senator who is Jewish, not a Jewish senator; and that is the very basis of my presence in the upper house."

Comes the next — obvious — question:

Would he accept the principle of being a senator who is Jewish, to use his position — if, as and when required and/or appropriate — on behalf of Jewish interests, whether involving some domestic issue or the State of Israel?

Pleased to help

His reply:

"Well, of course; certain facts of this new situation for me cannot be ignored. Naturally, if I can be of any help at all, for whatever (Jewish) cause or on whatever issue, I'll be pleased to do what I can.

"After all, I have been active for years in community projects — the Jewish General, Israel Bonds, and so many others."

What the senator is really saying, is that he can best serve the entire Canadian constituency and the Jewish community in terms of complementary interests.

Fair and honest enough.

How will this busy head of Cemp Investments and Cadillac Fairview be able to fit his schedule with the new senatorial responsibilities.

That's when Senator Kolber dropped the other shoe:

"I intend," he revealed, "to begin cutting back on my professional work in order to become inceasingly involved in my Senate commitments. I wouldn't have accepted the appointment on any other basis."

Then he added, significantly:

"I happen to think that, following frequent criticism of the Canadian Senate as to its role and use, the recent appointments reflect an awareness for expanding its role in government. In fact, for example, the appointment of Michael Pitfield can be taken as an indication that the Canadian Senate is undergoing change bringing it in line with contemporary society.

"The new additions to the Senate in a way are symbolic, for now the corporate element of Canadian society, big business, you might say, will have a voice in the functioning of the nation.

"What we can see is a renaissance for the Senate."

What we can also see is something of a renaissance for E. Leo Kolber in his appointment to the Canadian Senate.

A personal note:

It turns out that the senator and I have more in common than I realized, until recently.

It was his late father, Dr. Moses Kolber, whose dental office on Park Ave. when I was younger and even more impressionable than I am today, that first inspired me with the wizardry of dentistry.

And getting me to share that personal emotion was like — shall I dare say it? — pulling teeth!

PETITION FOR SOVIETS

Marsha Slivak, chairperson of Holy Blossom Temple's committee for Soviet Jewry, presents a petition with more than 4,000 signatures, on behalf of the Refusenik Vasilevsky family, to MPs Jim Peterson and John Roberts, minister of immigration and employment, 2nd and 3rd from left. Looking on are Rabbi Steven Garten, left, and Temple president Myer Brody, right. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Rabbi speaks on halachic opinions

Transplants permitted if donor's brain is dead

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
Kidney and other organ transplants are permitted under halacha if the organs are taken from a donor who is "neurologically dead," an eminent authority said here recently.

Rabbi Moses D. Tendler said a person is considered to have suffered brain death when there is no longer any circulation of blood beyond the medulla to the brain itself. The old definition that death occurs when respiration ceases no longer applies, he said.

"One of the greatest mitzvahs a person can do is to make a contribution after death," Rabbi Tendler said.

He spoke to an audience of about 600 people who jammed the conference centre of the Lipa Green Jewish Community Services Building. Every inch of space was taken up and many people sat on the floor.

Tendler is a professor of Talmud and chairman of the biology department at Yeshiva University, New York. His topic was "The Scientific and Medical Bases of Halachic Decisions."

He explained that transplants have a much greater chance of success if the organs are taken from the donor before death. This posed a problem for the Orthodox community. But, he added, the new consensus is that brain death occurs even if the heart and lungs are still functioning.

He quoted from a Yeshiva University survey of 300 hospitals [298 replied] that showed in a total of 3,000 cases there was no evidence of circulation to the brain for 24 hours before official death took place.

There are now sophisticated methods of determining circulation to the brain by injecting a dye in the bloodstream and then taking x-rays of the brain, he said.

Tendler described organ transplantation as one of "the great advances of medicine," particularly in surgery and immunology."

He said the question of transplantation has been the subject of intensive study at Yeshiva University. The Orthodox position, he stated, is that, in effect, when circulation to the brain ceases, it is akin to "physiological decapitation," and even when after a beheading there are life-like movements in the rest of the body, that person is considered without life.

The question of test tube babies is still under study, Tendler said, adding, "we haven't done our homework yet and we have no advantage of Papal infallibility."

This issue is an important one because 400 embryo transfers will take place in the U.S. in 1984, and next year the figure will be 4,000. At the moment, he said, there are 7,000 women on a waiting list for embryo transfer.

For the time being, he said, it may be that the identity papers of a test tube baby [embryo transfer] should list two mothers, the one who supplied the fertilized egg and the one who bears the child for nine months. "It may be that the woman who carries the infant for nine months is making the greatest contribution," Tendler said.

One question which must be given study, he said, is whether an incestuous relationship might result from embryo transfer.

In answer to a question from the audience, Tendler said "it is just as big a mitzvah to donate an organ to a non-Jew as to a Jew."

He is opposed to organ release checkoffs appended to driving licenses. "I have heard the arguments about the needs for medical research. We are not prepared to forego the sanctity of the human in death. An ethical society must forego some advantages (to medical research) to maintain its ethical sub-structure."

Tendler said he has written to the Chief Rabbi of Israel to object to approval of a method of producing a desirable quality of pate de foie gras by breeding Moullard black and white ducks with a certain breed of ducklings. The species which result are sterile, he said, and this violates halacha.

In fact, Tendler said later in his talk, that the whole question of species identification for the Orthodox community is of "stupendous importance," in view of the gene transfers made possible by research.

He said he got into some difficulty "with the Chassidic movement," by giving his opinion that etrogs from Morocco are kosher, even though the Chassidic rabbi had said they are not kosher because they do not contain seeds.

His research showed that, in fact, whether seeds appear in etrogs grown in Morocco, depends on what part of the country they are grown in — a difference of only four degrees in temperature being enough to eliminate the seeds.

Tendler was introduced by Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive director of the Toronto Board of Jewish Education. A message of greeting was brought by Rabbi Baruch Taub from the Rabbinical Council of Canada. Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg, CJC director of chaplaincy services, thanked the speaker.

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Weizmann Institute plays key role

Scientific technique, research boost for Israel

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

For a country as poor in natural resources as Israel, developing new techniques may hold the key for both domestic use and export.

That was the consensus adopted by three scientists who addressed the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science.

Dr. Aser Rothstein, director of research at the Hospital for Sick Children, Dr. Louis Siminovitch, director of research at Mount Sinai Hospital and Dr. Leo Yaffe from the chemistry department at McGill University spoke about the research being carried on at the Institute in the fields of solar energy, cancer pathology and genetic engineering.

Siminovitch told the audience that the problems associated with heart disease, cancer and genetic diseases "start at the basic (molecular) level." He said scientists can now isolate and study individual genes (protein molecules that transmit hereditary information) and see why they go wrong.

"Everybody carries at least 20 cancer genes, but they are silent genes," Siminovitch said. When someone develops cancer, those genes are being used and are no longer silent.

Siminovitch predicted that in three to five years, "we'll know what activates cancer genes, and we'll have an idea of how to attack it."

Fifty percent of people doing cancer research are doing it in this area, he said.

Scientific techniques are so sophisticated today, he explained, that scientists can isolate a gene, place it in a cell, and create a "biological product." That technique is now used to produce insulin commercially and will soon be used to produce the cancer-fighting drug, inteferon.

"There's an enormous amount of activity on the industrial front in these products," he said, so "it's important for Israel to use the discoveries for export."

Yaffe said that with Israel aiming to cut down on [oil] imports and with the world supply of oil disappearing, the Institute is engaged in developing the power source Israel and many areas of the world have in abundance — solar energy.

While the familiar hot water collectors on Israeli roofs provide about 1% of the energy in the total energy grid, research is under way to harness that potential solar power for wider industrial and domestic uses, he said.

The Institute is experimenting with 8 ft. by 5 ft. parabolic mirrors to collect sunlight, focus it on ceramic heat collectors and heat gases to 900 C. Those gases, Yaffe said, can be piped from the Negev to Haifa without significant heat loss and be used for industrial purposes.

The Institute is also attempting to develop solar run batteries charged by sunlight. Though they are a long way from application, according to Yaffe, work in the field teaches scientists how to transfer solar to more usable forms of energy.

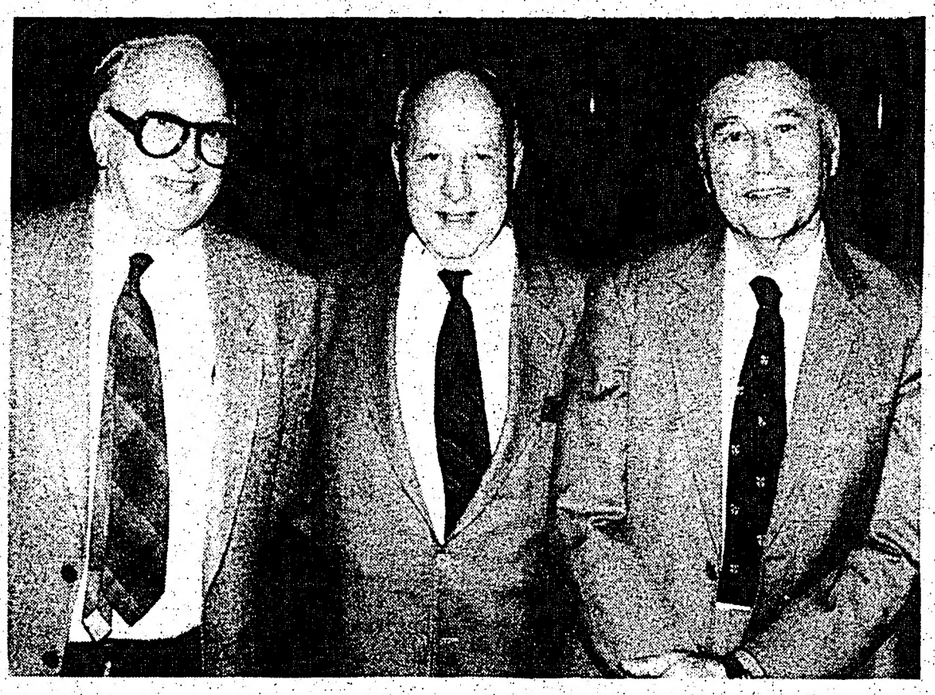
Rothstein said that developing technology often depends on people doing basic research not aimed at a product. "No one started out to find penicillin — it came out of basic scientific research into micro-organisms."

Scientific knowledge is often used in unpredictable ways and research done for the sake of gathering knowledge builds up a "bank account" that will provide spinoffs in the future.

The transfer of information between people doing applied and basic science goes on all the time at the Weizmann Institute, he said.

While Israel is a country very poor in natural resources, "Israel uses the one resource she has a lot of — brains," Rothstein concluded.

Israel depends on developing technology and selling it, and the Institute plays a key role in that respect, he said.



Doctors Louis Siminovitch, left, Leo Yaffe, centre, and Aser Rothstein speak at Weizmann Institute meeting on scientific developments in Israel. [Cindy Charkow photo]

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Women rabbis on rise

NEW YORK [JTA] —

By the summer of 1985, there will be more than 100 ordained women rabbis in North America, according to a Jewish Telegraphic Agency survey.

JTA obtained the figures by combining the number of ordained women rabbis with the current female enrolment in the last two years of rabbinical studies at Hebrew Union College campuses and the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College.

Since Sally Preisand was ordained by the Reform seminary 11 years ago as the first woman rabbi in American Jewish history, 75 women have received ordination as Reform or Reconstructionist rabbis.

A new chapter in the history of women in the rabbinate will begin next September when the rabbinical school of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America (JTS) is expected to admit its first class of women candidates for the Conservative rabbinate.

While no official data are available, between 25 and 30 women are expected to enroll.

No woman rabbi has as yet been reported to have achieved the rank of senior rabbi at a large urban or suburban synagogue. Most ordained women hold pulpit posts, usually as assistant rabbis, with a few promoted to associate rabbis, a generalization that also applies to recently ordained male rabbis.

However, in recent years, a growing number of women rabbis have been appointed as "solo rabbis." This term refers to pulpit positions in congregations too small either to need or to afford more than one rabbi.

Some of the women rabbis have taken Hillel posts on university campuses or hold teaching, administrative or organizational staff positions.

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By
FRANK RASKY

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If you use public transportation, Mrs. Miskin advises you to take the Bathurst-Steeles bus north and get off either at the Jewish Community Centre stop or at the Ellersie Ave. stop on the top of the hill immediately north of the library.

She hopes you'll apply by phoning her at 635-2996.

Liaison office opens

By
TAMMY KAROL

TORONTO —

The federal ministry of state for multiculturalism, headed by David Collenette, has opened a Toronto office in the Mony Life Building, Don Mills Rd. at Eglinton (suite 1304).

Vince Nigro, special assistant to Collenette, will manage the local office which recently held an open house. "We're here as a liaison between the Toronto and Ottawa operations. We'll deal with any written inquiries about multicultural issues and direct the press to any dealings with Collenette," Nigro said.

Nigro said Collenette works out of the Confederation Building office in Ottawa but will be in the new facility whenever he's in Toronto.

One of the functions of the Toronto office will be to deal with grant applications from various ethnic groups and to aid in promoting the retention of heritage languages.

According to Nigro, there will also be emphasis on social service projects for the various communities. He noted that the minister has been traveling across the country to find out the concerns of Jews and other ethnic and religious groups.

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Irwin Cooper, left, and Dolf Vomberg, co-chairmen of the League for Human Rights, Central Region.

BB names two for rights post

TORONTO —

Dolf Vomberg of St. Catharines and Irwin Cooper of Toronto have been appointed co-chairmen of the League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada, Central Region.

A computer systems consultant with Vomberg and Associates Management Services Limited, Vomberg, 33, has been an active member of B'nai B'rith at the local, regional and national levels.

He has served as president of Lord Melchett Lodge (Niagara Region), co-chairman of the constitution committee and member of the board of governors and the budget committee. Vomberg has been a member of both the regional and national cabinets of the League for Human Rights for three years.

Cooper, 52, a partner in the law firm of Strauss, Cooper, has also been active in B'nai B'rith. He has been president of Aaron Hart Lodge in Toronto and legal counsel for B'nai B'rith Canada.

He has been a member of the regional cabinet of the League and was chairman of the legal committee and the media human rights awards program. He is currently on the national cabinet of the League.

BB camp will open despite huge deficit

EDMONTON —

Despite a deficit of almost $400,000, Alberta's Camp B'nai B'rith will continue to operate. A recent article in the Calgary B'nai B'rith publication, Menorah, had suggested the possibility it might close.

The camp, opened in 1956 on Pine Lake, and an equal distance from Edmonton and Calgary, grew rapidly in the 70s as a direct response to the upsurge in Alberta's Jewish population during that decade. Statistics Canada census figures indicated a 70% increase.

To upgrade facilities and accommodate more campers, the board of directors spent $300,000 on capital improvements from 1971 to 1979.

Existing buildings were heated and insulated, new cabins erected, sports and crafts facilities updated and the sewage system revamped. A swimming pool had already been installed in 1968 to compensate for undesirable lake swimming conditions.

Additional expenses of approximately $200,000 were incurred when plumbing and water systems had to be renovated, the swimming pool heater replaced and more facilities made available.

In view of previous successful fund raising efforts, such expenditures were not regarded as exorbitant, according to Edmonton camp board chairman, Sid Lew. But three factors — high interest rates, lodge fund raising apathy and a 10% decline in camp enrolment — combined to produce a shaky outlook.

The Bank of Commerce, which Lew concedes has been "quite patient and supportive" is now pressing for a reduction of the debt.

Meetings of the camp board, and of the board of the North-West Canadian Council of B'nai B'rith (which owns the camp) elicited various cost-cutting options: ceasing B'nai B'rith operation of the camp, closing it for one year or discontinuing the kosher food.

None of these was given serious consideration.

What has evolved is a determination to meet the immediate cash flow requirements, said Lew.

Calgary and Edmonton Lodges are stepping up their fund raising, and former campers are being approached for donations.

It is hoped that $100,000 can be realized within a few months.

Long-range proposals include the sale of some unused camp property and if approval to subdivide is obtained, this could raise up to $500,000.

Another suggestion is to ask the Jewish Federation of Edmonton and the Calgary Jewish Community Council to rule on beneficiary status. This would enable the camp to receive financial assistance while continuing as a B'nai B'rith-controlled operation.

Bill Meloff, camp co-director with his wife Rivvy, notes that B'nai B'rith has assumed responsibility for 29 years and the time has come when the organization "may not be able to carry the camp and may have to look to the Jewish communities in Alberta and Saskatchewan for some assistance . . . a reasonable and rational thing to do."

Book lets parents find neighborhood helpers

TORONTO —

The sixth edition of the Parents' Guide/Babysitter Directory for winter/spring 1983-4 is now available at Simpsons and The Bay (childrens wear departments), at W. H. Smith book stores and at selected Coles and Classic book stores.

It can also be bought at numerous toy and book stores throughout Metro.

The retail price is $3.95 and the mail order price is $3.50.

The guide aims to connect parents to resources, information and to a network of "neighborhood" helpers. Included in the listings are people who will work with special needs children and seniors.

Feature articles include "Tips on choosing a microcomputer" and "Children TV and Violence," as well as an expanded section entitled "Resources for Mothers" which lists many support services and places to shop economically.

Editor Lean Cohen points out that the guide is organized by general geographic region and suggests that parents circle those sitters whose specifications seem appropriate for their needs, and cross out those who seem unsutiable on the telephone, or who live too far away.

Addresses have been eliminated from the listings as a precaution on behalf of the listed sitters. Following each sitter's name is the age group into which the sitter fits.

Cohen stresses: "We have found it necessary to caution our sitters not to make sitting arrangements with a new family if a man calls them. Initial contact with a new sitter should always be made by the children's mother. If there is no woman in your house, perhaps you can ask a neighbor or relative to call on your behalf."

The editor warns that the guide does not prescreen sitters and notes parents should use a method of their own for evaluating a potential sitter.

Writes Cohen: "I suggest you interview any new sitter in the sitter's home. This will give you an opportunity to meet the sitter's parents or in the case of a woman offering sitting in her home, to allow you to appraise the situation and see if it meets your own standards for your children.

"Next . . . try to talk to the mother of your new sitter and make sure you agree on hours of sitting, transportation to and from your home, and so on. This will reassure you both, and will establish ties with that household in case any awkward situations develop later.

"If your sitter can't supply references you will have to use your judgment . . . and what better way than to have them come in after school and stay until dinner?"

Cohen also deals with paying sitters and problems with sitters.

There are, as well, sections which list people interested in forming babysitting co-ops, service to seniors, child-care swaps, and people who wish to work with special needs children.

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"I just try to be a mensch"

Rabbi Pappenheim earned love of congregation

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —
It seemed as if all of Toronto Jewry was in mourning.

More than 1,500 people gathered at the Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Congregation in Downsview last Thursday to pay tribute to the congregation's spiritual leader, Rabbi Albert Pappenheim, who died Jan. 18 after a lengthy illness.

In what one mourner described as "a mood of reverence and respect and love and loyalty," they heard Rabbi Erwin Schild of Adath Israel Congregation speak movingly of the man who had been his "chaver," his friend and companion since they were both young men fleeing Nazi Germany.

Born in 1921 in Frankfurt-on-Main, "young Albert became a wanderer, a fugitive, a refugee," Rabbi Schild said.

His life in Germany shattered by Kristallnacht in November 1938, he went first to England, where he was interned as a German national, deported to Canada and then interned again for nearly two years.

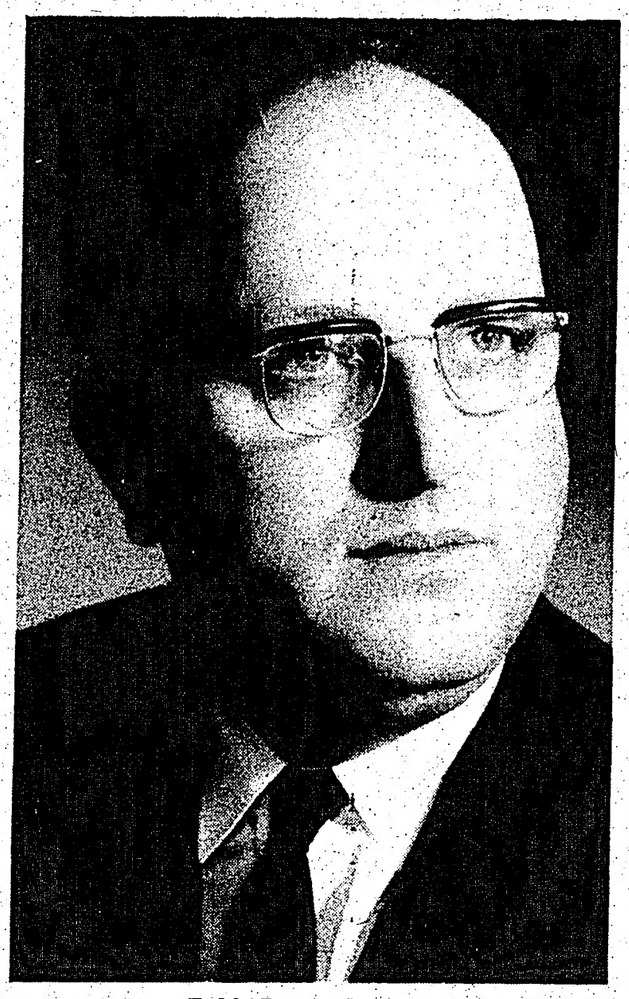
But in spite of the unpromising welcome, Canada — and, ultimately Toronto's fledgling B'nai Israel Beth David congregation — became his home.

"For 28 years, Rabbi Pappenheim served as spiritual leader of the congregation," Rabbi Philip Scheim, his assistant rabbi said. "The love which our congregation and community have felt was love which was earned — earned through unimaginable and unending dedication to his congregants, to whomever needed him."

Rabbi Scheim recounted his first meeting with the man who would become his mentor. "I asked whether he would discuss with me the theory behind his hospital visitations. His answer surprised me. 'What theory!? I just try to be a mensch.'

"At the time I was disappointed. But it didn't take me long to realize how appropriate Rabbi Pappenheim's advice really was . . . and how much I had to learn from him. For, never would one find a greater example of menshlechkeit than that of Rabbi Albert Pappenheim."

In his eulogy, based on a commentary to the Torah portion for the week (Yitro), Rabbi Schild paid tribute to the soundness of his colleague's scholarship and his dedication to Jewish education.



Rabbi Pappenheim

"The contribution of the German Jewish community was especially important to him. He wanted to make sure that this portion of the Torah of the Jewish people remained."

Pappenheim studied for the rabbinate in London, and received ordination from Rabbi Abraham Price of Toronto. He held an MA in oriental languages from the University of Toronto.

He served as spiritual leader of Congregation B'nai Israel in St. Catharines, Ont., and Ohava Zion Congregation in Lexington, Ky., where he was also a lecturer in Hebrew and biblical history at the University of Kentucky before returning to Toronto in 1956.

He was an active community leader, serving as president of the Toronto Board of Rabbis; a member of the national religious department of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region; and president of the Rabbinical Assembly, Ontario Region.

"He displayed the same soundness in his congregational leadership as in his scholarship," said Schild. "He had no use for empty verbiage . . . Humility was the hallmark of his personality."

He was active in interfaith dialogue, where he explained Judaism "without apology, without varnish," said Schild.

For Schild, who was Pappenheim's study companion at yeshiva, the personal loss was as deep as the community's.

"You are gone," he concluded. "Our teacher, shepherd, friend, beloved. But bless us with the memory of your righteousness, of your devotion."

Rabbi Pappenheim is survived by his wife, Rhoda, his daughter Irma, his sister Ruth Posen of St. Catharines and his brothers Ernst and Karla of Israel.

Memorial donations may be made to the Rabbi Albert Pappenheim fund, c/o Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am.

Israel avoiding atomic weapons

JERUSALEM [UPI] —
Israel has had the capability of making atomic weapons for decades but refuses to build any bombs because it does not want to turn the Middle East dispute into a "nuclear conflict," Israel's science minister said.

Science Minister Yuval Neeman told a Foreign Press Association discussion forum last week that Israel embarked on its nuclear program in the early 1950s so ". . . we should not rely on anyone helping us if the Arabs ever have nuclear weapons."

Neeman, leader of the Tehiya Party and an internationally respected nuclear physicist, said, "He wanted to be ready just in case — and then stopped short of going nuclear."

Israel long has said it will not be the first nation in the Middle East to introduce atomic weapons into the Middle East, though many published reports have asserted the Jewish state already possesses a nuclear arsenal.

Israel has two nuclear facilities — one at Dimona in the Negev desert — and the other at Nahal Soreq along the Mediterranean coastline, halfway between Tel Aviv and Ashdod. Only the latter is under international supervision.

Israel has declined to sign the nuclear nonproliferation treaty because it said it does not want to be bound by a document some of its radical enemies were certain to ignore.

"It's now 22 years after completion of our nuclear installations and nothing has happened. Why? We have no interest in having a nuclear Middle East. . . . We have no interest in a nuclear race. We have no interest to turn the conflict here into a nuclear conflict," he said.

Neeman said the mutual nuclear deterrent existence between the Soviet Union and the United States was impossible in the Middle East context.

First, there are too many Arab countries, "so it's not a matter of a balance between two sides."

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Family life closer in Finland, Sweden

Approach to hockey impresses Canadian player

sports scene

By GARY COHEN

The observations of a young Toronto hockey player who recently returned from a series of matches in Sweden and Finland say a lot about the progress the two European nations have made on the ice.

Alan Branson, a 17-year-old Thornlea Secondary School student who plays with the MTHL Juvenile A Thornhill Islanders, until last year toiled with Thornhill Thunderbirds in the league's tough — it's produced 54 active NHLers — Juvenile AAA division.

But frustrated by his size — he's only 5 ft. 7, 135 pounds — and admittedly lacking motivation — "the higher the level, the bigger and bigger the commitment gets and it can stop being fun" — Bramson decided to cut back on hockey and concentrate more on getting an university education.

That situation led to his current stint with the Islanders in the easier A division. And with a trip to Europe thrown in, it proved to be a pretty good move.

Islanders were part of a hockey exchange program which last year brought a team of Finnish youngsters to Canada for a series of matches. This year, the Canadians reciprocated by crossing the pond to play in 4-game tournaments in both Sweden and Finland.

Islanders didn't fare too well on the trip from a hockey standpoint, though, finishing winless and last in the Swedish tournament while compiling an 0-3-1 record and then registering a modest 1-2-1 mark in Finland.

And, like almost every Canadian hockey player who has traveled to Europe in the last 15 years — often critical with legitimate cause — Bramson came back with a few extenuating circumstances. He claimed the refereeing and team selection at the tourneys put the Canadians at an unfair disadvantage.

"In Sweden, they stacked the teams and the refereeing was bad," Bramson assessed, "but in Finland they stacked the teams and the refereeing was good." While most of the Islanders are 17-year-olds, the Finns and Sweden put together select teams for the tournaments that included "all their best players under the age of 20," according to Bramson.

He also complained that the officials in Sweden more often than not turned a blind eye to infractions by hometown players — sometimes even those that went beyond the typical clutch and grab misdemeanors.

In one match, Bramson insisted, an Islander teammate was two-handed so badly he left the ice with a deep gash on his hand — yet no penalty was called even though the incident took place right in front of the referee.

But, despite the complaints, Bramson said he was impressed by the people and the approach to hockey in both Sweden and Finland.

"We were really treated incredibly in both countries," Bramson praised. "Better than we would have treated them. They were willing to do anything for us."

Bramson said that though it is distinctly different from what you find in Canada, he liked what he saw of the family life overseas.

Besides finding "that people there are more serious," he noted that "there are only two TV channels in each country and families are a lot closer as a result because they don't spend so much time watching TV or off on their own. Instead they play games together, talk a lot and do things more as a family.

Extra training great

"The kids are also more mature. When they have duties around the house or other responsibilities they take care of them on their own without complaining."

Bramson said this sense of sobriety and discipline also carries over to hockey. "They are very serious about hockey — more serious than we are," he observed. "They do weight training, land training and other activities in the off-season." And, as Bramson pointed out, "if you want to be good, the extra training is a great idea. But it's a lot of work and you have to be committed."

The dedicated approach seems to have paid off for the Swedes and Finns, though. One indication of that is their prominence in the National Hockey League today when they were nowhere to be found 15 years ago. At last count, 17 NHL clubs had at least one Swede or Finn on their rosters, the only exceptions being Chicago, Boston, Detroit and Pittsburgh.

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The new flag of Maccabi Canada, which Canadian athletes at the 1985 Maccabiah Games will fly in Israel, was unfurled last week.

Maccabi Canada president Gary Ulrich, right, and Condoltex representatives Abe Shuster and Marcel Thibault hold the organization's new flag. [Howard Kay photo]

The flag, which is to be the permanent standard of the organization, reflects its recent formal affiliation with the World Maccabi Union and the resulting name change from the former Canadian Maccabiah Association.

The flag, done in red and white, bears the organization's logo — a maple leaf with the Star of David in the centre — which is formed by using the Hebrew letters in Maccabi.

The flag has been donated by the textile company Consoltex and will hang in every Jewish Community Centre and YM-YWHA in the country.

In addition to organizing a team for the Maccabiah Games every four years, Maccabi Canada is now a national body organizing sports events for children at all levels, year-round in every region of Canada, said national president Gary Ulrich.

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The Whalers won big, the Wolverines mauled the Opposition and the Flying Bagels stayed hot in action around the B'nai B'rith hockey league last week.

In A Division, Steve Kushnir scored a goal and an assist and Jon Goodman counted the winner to pace Toronto Freedom Whalers to a 4-1 win over Toronto Freedom Team Mates. The victory stretched Whalers margin to eight points over the third-place Team Mates, while keeping them within three points of division-leading Forrestdale Big Steel Man.

In the only other top tier game, Big Steel Man had an easy time collecting their 11th win of the season scoring a 1-0 default decision over Toronto Freedom North Stars.

In BII Division, Dave Mendelssohn netted three goals and added an assist, and Howard Klerer scored a pair to spark Manor Metropolitan Wolverines to a 6-2 victory over Canyon Crush. The game produced Wolverines' first win since B Division was split in December, while handing Crush their first setback of the new season.

Elsewhere in BII Division, Forrestdale Sting got two goals and two assists from Steve Franklin and Mike Weingarten added a goal and two assists as they swamped Leonard Mayzel Red Hawks 7-1; and Al Weiss recorded the shutout, while Neil Goldberg and Joel Donaghy had two goals apiece as Forrestdale Flyers blanked Upper Canada Bruins 6-0.

In the lone BI Division contest, Paul Rosen scored the tying goal with three seconds left in the game to lift Toronto Freedom Feathers to a 3-3 draw against the defending division champion Don Mills Axemen.

In C Division, Canyon Flying Bagels continued on a recent tear by winning their third consecutive game. Shelly Manilla scored both goals for Flying Bagels, who boosted their record to 4-8-0, as they snuck past Maccabiah Weiss Guys 2-1.

Elsewhere in C Division, Ronny Jacobs scored two goals to lead Toronto Freedom Minors to an easy 7-2 victory over Toronto Freedom Refiners; Lawrence Lampert netted the equalizer to give Toronto Freedom Plumbers a 1-1 tie against Toronto Freedom Ultis; and Jeff Cohen and Howard Risen counted two goals each, while Brian Buddowich scored twice for the losers, as the first-place Forrestdale Blades dumped Maccabiah Bruins 5-3.

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After splitting B Division into two separate tiers at the end of last year, according to previous plans, the executive of the BB hockey league recently decided to start both B level team standings from scratch.

Because all the teams in the division did not play a balanced schedule or face each other at least once before the split, the executive accepted a proposal that all games played before Jan. 1 not be included in the final standings in the interest of fairness.

Both BI and BII tiers will maintain their own regular season scheduling, playoff structures and divisional titles.

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Jewish golfers from around the world will be gathering to play in Israel next year, thanks to the efforts of two British fairways enthusiasts.

Sonny Feldman and David Codron, both officers of the International Golfing Society, an organization of present and past captains and presidents of Jewish golf clubs from across the globe, have been making arrangements to host the IGS's annual 1985 meeting at Israel's Caesarea Golf Club.

In past years, the meeting has alternated between sites in Europe and the United States.

The 1985 event will be a special one celebrating the 10th anniversary of the society. It is expected to attract IGS members from the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Venezuela, Great Britain, Australia and Israel who will be able to take part in four tournaments scheduled during their 2-week stay.

The gathering is being organized by Israel's Kopel Tours, with accommodation at the Dan Caesarea Hotel.

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Crown Life Insurance Company has been selected as the official supplier of health and life insurance coverage for all Canadian athletes and team officials participating in the 1984 Winter and Summer Olympic Games, according to a recent company news release.

"The splendid achievements of our Canadian athletes in international competition are a continuing source of pride and encouragement for all Canadians," said Robert Bandeen, chairman and president of Crown Life, in making the announcement. "We are grateful to the Olympic Trust of Canada and the Canadian Olympic Association for this unique opportunity for Crown Life to continue to play an important role in supporting amateur sport in Canada."

Crown Life, which ranks among the top 2% of all companies in North America with over $55 billion of life insurance in force, was previously selected as the official supplier of insurance for Canada's Pan American teams in 1979, 1980 and 1983, marking the first time that a Canadian company had been chosen to fill that role.

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Business Outlook

Fortunes won, lost on TSE

Investors buy, sell in hope of turning a profit

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

To a visitor, the room seems to be in complete chaos. Hundreds of people clutter the floor, revolving around what appear to be space-age kiosks, each kiosk sporting green-lettered television screens and clattering business machines.

To one side of the room men and women in gold smocks sit at desks, their ultramodern headsets and microphones plugged into desk consoles. Having received instructions through their headsets, they are relayed to others on the floor through rapid hand signals.

A flurry of activity at one of the kiosks results and a few moments later subsides. In that short time a fortune may have just been gained — or lost — at the Toronto Stock Exchange.

With 1,315 companies and share issues traded, the TSE presents investors with a broad range of companies and investment vehicles in which to place their money. Originating in medieval markets where goods and produce were traded, stock exchanges today present a complex system for the public trading of shares of companies from every sector of the economy.

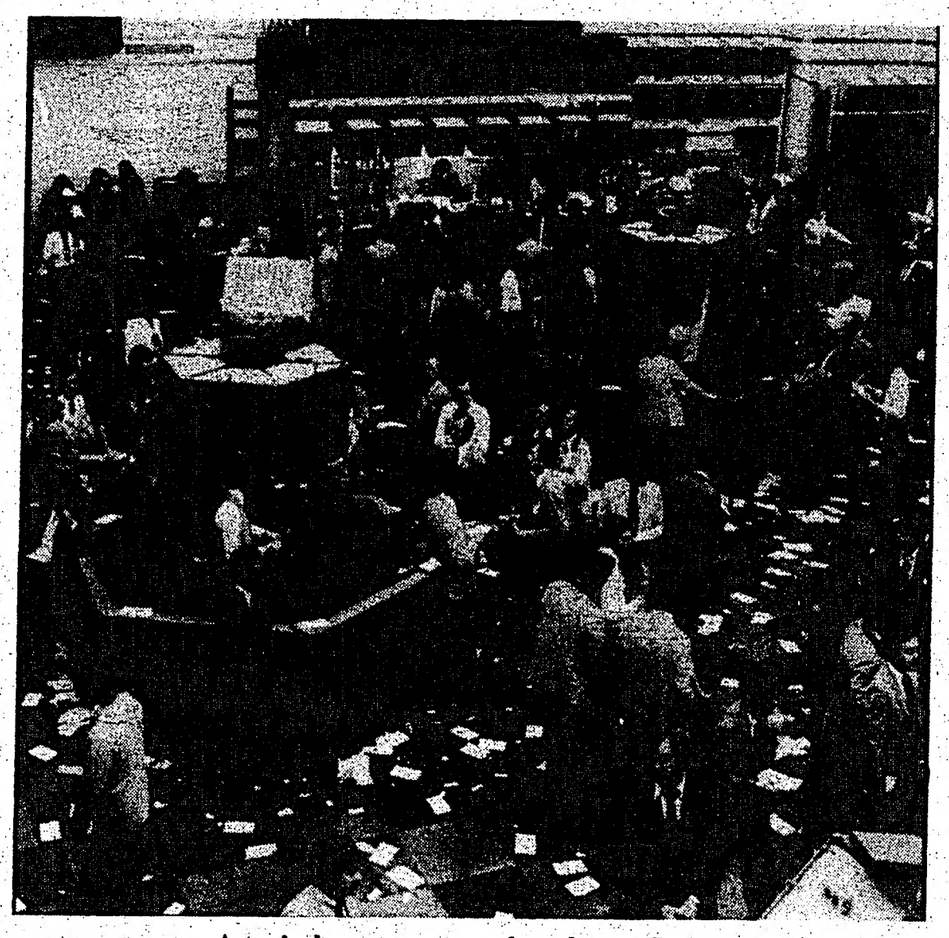
In 1983 over 2.4 billion shares of mining companies, industrials, oil exploration companies, utilities and others changed hands — to the tune of $30,193,508 — as investors bought and sold stocks in the hope of turning a profit.

While such astronomical figures might appear intimidating to the average person, there is plenty of room for the small scale investor, with a few thousand dollars of disposable income, to participate in the market. And the sort of investment appropriate to that individual is as personal to him as are the clothes he wears.

Stockbrokers and investment analyst Jay Smith of Merrill Lynch Royal Securities Limited explains that in dealing with a client, it is most important to "Find out as much as you can about an individual . . . his needs and objectives," before giving any advice.

Stockbroker Jeff Wise of Richardson Greenshields of Canada Limited agrees "no two circumstances are alike," and so what might be appropriate for "a gambler" need not be a good investment for someone on a fixed income who needs a steady flow of income on which to live.

A small-scale investor, with about $5,000 to invest might "look at mutual funds," according to financial consultant Eva Moyle-Amerl of Dominion Securities Ames Limited. She suggests by buying units (shares) in a mutual fund — a fund which buys 20 to 30 different stocks and appoints an expert manager to administer the fund for the unit holders — an investor can get "a much wider exposure" to the market than by buying stock in one or two companies.



A typical scene on a stock exchange floor.

"It's not very likely that 20 stocks will all be down at the same time or all up at the same time," she says. By not putting all your eggs in one basket, the risk of loss — or gain — is spread out over a broader range of stocks.

For those who are looking for a larger rate of return, though at somewhat greater risk, Smith recommends buying "big capitalization, quality, U.S. stocks." These are not only "blue-chip stocks" (stocks of well-established companies with long records of earnings and divided payments) but can include companies which are, in Smith's words, in a "turnaround situation."

For a cautious investor, Jeff Wise suggests "Preferred shares in established companies would be the ideal investment." Preferred shares — preferred because they receive dividends ahead of common shares and have priority over the company's assets should it go bankrupt — offer more security for an investor than common shares.

Convertible preferred shares, which are convertible to common shares, gives an investor the opportunity to obtain a bigger slice of the profit pie when dividends are paid out.

Retractible preferred shares are also ideal for a cautious investor, since the company agrees to buy the shares back at the buyer's cost.

Although these types of shares offer a cautious investor some security, Wise points out "when you invest in the market, there is a certain element of risk you must be aware of."

An area of investment offering a moderate risk are corporate bonds, issued by many companies to raise money. Wise warns before investing in corporate bonds, "make sure the ratings of the company are quite high."

For many larger, more stable companies, corporate bonds can be a "safe investment," Jay Smith says.

The return on a corporate bond is usually ½ to 1% higher than that offered by Canada Savings Bonds, though corporate bonds are not as liquid. An investor who wants to sell a corporate bond, especially when interest rates are going up, may have to sell at a discount.

At Merrill Lynch, Smith says, a variation of a mutual fund, featuring corporate bonds, is offered. It's called the Monthly Income Trust. Investors buy $500 units in the Trust, which purchases 15 to 20 different corporate bonds at a value of $10 million.

Investors receive monthly payments, and for some bonds with a 7-year maturity, Smith says the rate of return is about 12½% per year.

For the more daring investor, the stock market offers plenty of opportunities to make money fast — or lose it fast. Wise advises that an investor must "try to pick an area that has potential to move up" and find a company in that sector that will "move once the area moves."

Wise is optimistic the "resource side of the market" has "potential for rapid growth," while admitting these are often "highly speculative industries."

"For more aggressive growth and for people more oriented towards risk," Smith "likes" the semi-conductor industry.

For the real gambler, the options and futures markets offer the opportunity to make or lose large sums quickly. But the buying and selling of futures — contracts for goods like silver, plywood and grain to be delivered at some future date — is one of "unlimited risk," says Smith, and is only for the very "sophisticated" investor, adds Wise.

Options, which give the buyer the right to buy stocks or gold at a future date at a specific price is also risky, since it depends on your "guess" that the item will increase in value at the time you must exercise the option, Smith says.

With an election in the United States upcoming, with the possibility that interest rates may drop slightly and with corporations reporting good earnings, Wise predicts "we have the ingredients for a good strong market" in the year ahead.

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Israeli banks compete with Canadian counterparts

Bank Hapoalim (Canada)

TORONTO —

Canadians used to doing business with the five big Canadian banks were presented with a new option in banking just under two years ago.

On March 18, 1982, Bank Hapoalim became the first Israeli bank to begin operations in Canada and within seven months, three other Israeli banks had followed suit — Bank Leumi le-Israel, the Israel Discount Bank and the United Mizrahi Bank.

Catering largely to a Jewish clientele, the IDB, Hapoalim and Leumi are chartered Canadian banks that compete with their Canadian counterparts by offering their customers the full range of services they've come to expect from their local banks.

The UMB, while not yet chartered under the Bank Act, operates a representative office in Toronto which links its Canadian clients with its 80 branches worldwide.

Finding themselves in competition with long-established banking institutions, the Israeli-owned banks courted their main clients — medium-sized businesses and individual depositors — by offering savings and checking accounts, term deposits, personal and business loans at what Hapoalim general manager Yaacov Pachter calls "competitive rates."

Pachter acknowledges that Hapoalim is in a "period of introducing ourselves to the market" and "many people are still analyzing us, watching us to see if we mean business." As a result, Hapoalim, like Leumi and IDB, often pays 1 to 2% over and above the interest rates quoted by the Big Five for savings and checking accounts.

The banks' main commercial customers also benefit from reductions of interest rates, and Bank Leumi president Moshe Rosen says Leumi also "assists young professionals getting into business" with set-up loans.

Other approaches designed to attract Canadian businesses were also introduced. IDB president Jacob Behar told The Canadian Jewish News that in addition to premiums paid on personal deposits, the IDB "pays daily interest on balances of business checking accounts" and charges lower rates for business loans.

But premiums on interest rates was not the only method adopted to compete in the Canadian market. Rosen claims that while "generally Leumi pays higher interest rates," it was "the personal touch we have with our customers . . . (that) gives us a competitive edge in Canada."

Leumi's policy, he says, is "to be the banker of the Jewish people, to interface with the people at the street level."

At Leumi's Bathurst St. branch in Toronto, that personal touch translates into proceedings designed to make day-to-day banking more comfortable. The usual maze like cables directing customers to tellers' windows have been eliminated. A receptionist at a central desk directs people to service representatives, where clients may be seated while arranging term deposits, bank drafts, opening new accounts and obtaining traveler's checks.

Like Leumi's Rosen, the managers of the IDB and Hapoalim agree that providing better service gives them a competitive edge over the established banks. While personal depositors and small to medium sized businesses are the main beneficiaries of this competition, companies involved in international trade benefit as well.

At the IDB, Behar says, the export-import business is a "very big part of our operations." The IDB is involved in all areas of the business, according to Behar, including financing, collections and supplying letters of credit.

The IDB operates through its 1,500 correspondent banks throughout the world, which, Behar claims, gives it an advantage over Canadian banks which have a limited number of subsidiaries overseas.

This advantage, Behar says, allows IDB to "shorten the period to complete a deal" and provides an exporter abroad the reassurance and convenience of dealing with a familiar bank.

Arranging international trade and financial deals is the UMB's main activity in Canada. UMB president Samuel Mes-

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Business Outlook

Franchises boast good record

Govt. helps investor plan business ventures

By
TAMMY KAROL

An increasing number of Canadians are putting their money into small businesses, franchises, equities (stocks and debentures), real estate and art, rather than letting their dollars sit in the bank.

But when such ventures are undertaken hastily they can cause considerable financial loss. It is wise to consult with professionals and research the details about your particular field of interest before rushing into any kind of investment.

A good place to start is the Business Information Centre [BIC], of the federal government. Located in every province with a central reference number in Ottawa [Zenith-0-3200] it acts as a 1-stop shopping centre which provides you with investment information.

Plenty of help available

"We were created to answer questions of government programs or other problems that effect every business person," says Robert MacFarlane, a manager in the BIC's Toronto office in First Canadian Place.

According to MacFarlane, the Canadian Services Bureau, the Board of Trade, the World Trade Centre, and local libraries can also put you in touch with government programs and services, but business-oriented questions are best answered by the BIC.

MacFarlane believes the most popular investment today is putting cash into a small business.

He suggests that people interested in such a venture consult with their bank's mergers and acquisitions officer to find out what companies are for sale. Financial institutions usually update this data every three months in a publication known as the Business Opportunity Quarterly. In addition, they publish general economic reports on various industries, and newspapers such as The Financial Post run profiles on certain Canadian firms.

The ministry of industry and trade at Hearst Block, Queen's Park, also lists manufacturing and sales opportunities in Ontario via its book The Market Place. [It can be obtained free of charge from Bob Edwards at the ministry].

And the federal government's New Product Bulletin is available from the BIC in Ottawa, as is Doing Business in Canada, a guide on taxation and business ventures in this country.

Besides providing many of these publications, the BIC will investigate an individual's business experience and market survey, before he or she invests in a company.

Read trade books

MacFarlane recommends that people interested in opening a retail store consult with the Retail Merchants Association or Canadian Retail Federation and read Maclean Hunter's various trade publications.

He advised those wishing to manufacture a new product not available in Canada to speak with buyers of large retail stores and find out if they'd be interested to get this merchandise.

Despite the popularity of small businesses, some say franchises are relatively safer investments in today's uncertain marketplace.

The Better Business Bureau (BBB) in Toronto points out, for example, that 80% of small businesses fail in their first two years of operation as compared to only 5% of franchises for the same period.

Before investing in a franchise however, make sure you are aware of the company's financial stability and consumer reputation.

"The success of franchising has attracted a certain number of fraudulent promoters," says BBB president Paul Tuz. "One should be aware of businesses that promote exorbitant profits with meagre investments. Businesses that promote profits through chain sales for multi-level marketing schemes should also be viewed with caution."

Two ways of having franchise

There are two ways to franchise — either by buying a franchised business or expanding a business through franchising.

Traditional franchising consists of a product distribution arrangement in which the franchisee is to some degree identified with a manufacturer's product. Examples of this type are the soft drink bottlers and auto dealers.

In the more common business format franchising, the franchisee is not simply the distributor of a product as in traditional franchises. He does business according to the format established by the franchise which could include the business premises and uniforms worn by the employees as well as the trade name, the products and management, and selling techniques.

One of the more informative resource centres on franchising is the Association of Canadian Franchisers (CAF).

It suggests that before buying a franchise, make sure you understand the business contract and get assistance from both a lawyer and accountant knowledgeable about franchising. As well, it recommends questioning franchisees already in the chain to know how well the system functions, and working in the franchise before committing yourself to it.

MacFarlane contends it is equally important to check the credibility of the franchisor and to go to the established franchise of that particular chain and find out if people found it difficult working for the franchisor.

He says that once someone finds a franchise it should be cleared with the BIC. The government agency will then check the franchise with Jim Kelly, of the regional economic expansion and transport services division in Ottawa.

In citing the ingredients usually required for success in franchising, there must be "abnormal" profitability at the store level, so that it can be shared with the franchisor and franchisee.

Howard Rose, executive director of the ACF says there must also be a proven and tested business concept. He points out that the franchisor must apply for a trademark, patent or copyright to protect his logos, processes and designs so that they remain unique and special.

Both the BIC and the ACF stress that various government and business publications should be read prior to buying a franchise.

These include Investigate Before Investing, put out by the ACF and Buying A Franchise, published by the ministry of consumer and commercial relations in Toronto.

The Canadian government's industry trade, and commerce and regional expansion division also has a 2-volume seminar documentation series. Its first volume deals with buying a franchised business and the second is entitled Expanding Your Business Through Franchising.

Another valuable resource, according to MacFarlane, is the $12 1983 Annual Franchise Handbook and Directory which can be ordered from 11 Bond St., St. Catharines, Ont. L2R 4Z4. As well, the Royal Bank has developed a plan to assist in the franchising of business.

Israeli banks offer personal touch

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senberg says the UMB office in Toronto acts as a "kind of liaison office, giving information and helping business transfers and trade."

The UMB representative office "refers business to our banks and subsidiaries outside Canada and gives information regarding opportunities in business prospects in Israel." Once a deal is found, he says, "all the technical, legal and financial assistance" can be handled through the UMB branches abroad.

bank leumi le-israel [canada]

Leumi's Rosen claims that with more than 1,000 correspondent banks around the world, "our money exchange system is very efficient." With currency exchange rates varying continuously, rapid execution of buy and sell orders can be very important. For money transfers to Israel, Rosen claims, "we're probably the quickest."

While trade between Canada and Israel is relatively modest — reaching about $160 million in 1982 — Pachter says "the two countries are now at the stage where they've discovered each other.

"Israel relies heavily on foreign trade," Rosen says, and the international network of banks "support that trade."

Since their arrival on the Canadian scene, the Israeli banks have grown substantially. Two years ago, when he first came to Canada to set up tthe IDB, Behar started with "just a desk and a telephone." But backed by the prestige and resources of the multi-billion dollar parent company, he has seen the bank's assets reach $100 million.

Bank Leumi has also grown and so far is the only Israeli bank to open more than one banking branch, with two in Toronto and one in Montreal. Hapoalim and IDB each maintain one central branch in Toronto.

With their steady growth and with the prospect that Bank Act limitations on foreign banks' share of the market may be reduced, the Israeli banks appear to be a permanent feature on the Canadian scene.

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Clients advised to plan carefully

Company's program geared to women investors

By TAMMY KAROL

TORONTO —

As more and more women are re-entering the work force and earning higher incomes, they're increasingly directing their funds into investments. Consequently, women's investment networks are sprouting nationwide.

A case in point is Nesbitt Thomson, a 71-year-old full service investment agency with 16 fully staffed offices across Canada and subsidiary operations in New York, London, and Zurich.

In 1981, the company's subsidiary Nesbitt Thomson Bongard did a market research study on its individual investors and found that a majority of them were men. To lure more female investors, NTB set up a women's investment network under the direction of Janet Tudhope, a 23-year-old MBA graduate from York University and a former assistant manager of credit at Toronto Dominion Bank's city hall branch. Its approach has been educational.

"Women have traditionally invested through banks in guaranteed investment certificates and saving accounts because they don't know about stock markets, bonds, and other investment alternatives," says Tudhope.

According to Tudhope, women have also been reluctant to go to investment dealers because most account executives salespeople who sell investments) have been men.

The situation has changed over the last 10 years, she claims, pointing out that in her own company, one third of account executives are now women.

Tudhope believes women's investments are no different than men's but stresses that women have avoided buying and selling stocks because until recently brokers were almost always men.

Tudhope conducts introductory seminars nationwide via a slide presentation on investments, and is often accompanied by an account executive.

In Toronto, the seminars are held four times yearly, usually at the Toronto Stock Exchange, and are free of charge. The next seminar is scheduled for Feb. 7. An introductory seminar will also be conducted in Montreal on Jan. 31 and Feb. 1. Participants learn about financial and tax planning, and investment terminology such as common stocks and preferred shares are explained.

Tudhope also conducts seminars in portfolio management which includes an overview of the economy, a discussion of what a portfolio investment means and the structuring of such a portfolio. The next portfolio investment seminar will be held in Toronto on March 27.

In addition, Tudhope holds seminars on taxation, helps write a company publication entitled A Guide to Investing, and compiles the Women's Investment Network Newsletter which is sent to women affiliated with the network.

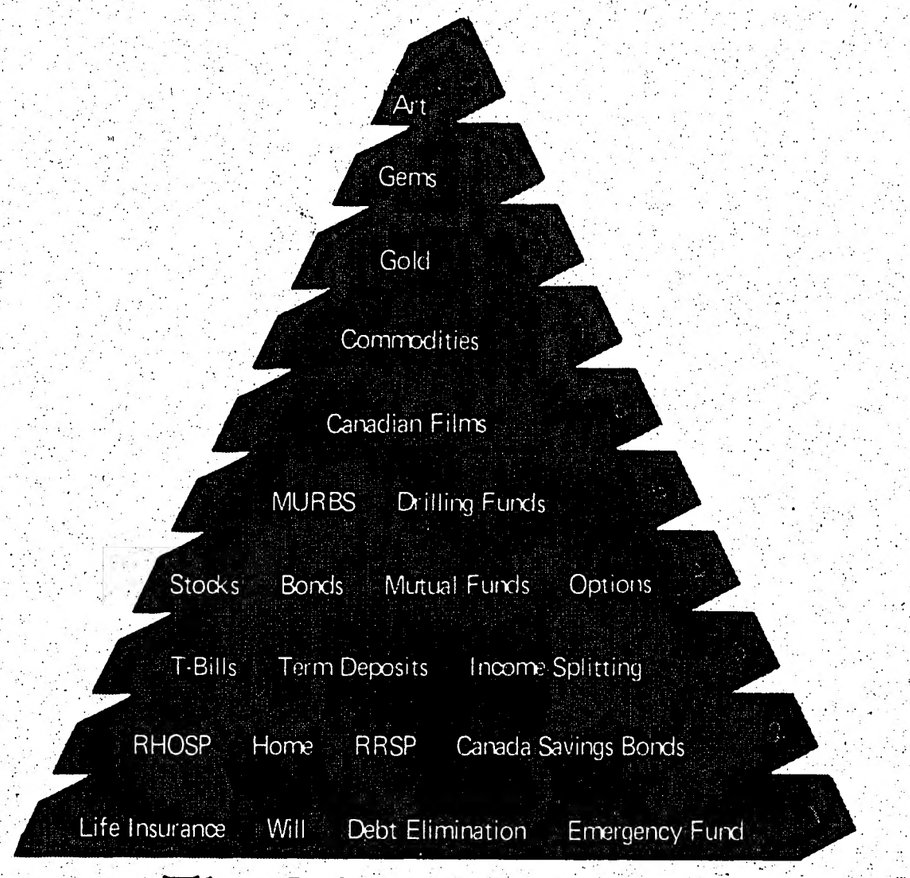
Tudhope does not make recommendations on investments and says she does not get a percentage from investments made by women who have spoken to her.

Once Tudhope finds out an individual's specific financial interests, she will connect her with an account executive. The women may then be sent to the company's tax advisory service to iron out any tax problems or the portfolio services department to evaluate her holdings.

Tudhope advises to plan carefully before investing and consult not only an accountant and lawyer but an investment dealer, as the latter has the "whole piece of the picture." Before investing it is essential to examine your personal goals such as early retirement, Tudhope says.

Financial goals, she adds, should also be considered. For instance, have you calculated your marginal income tax rate to determine whether you would benefit from tax deferral investments and whether it may be worthwhile to borrow for the investments.

Andrew Bertram, vice-president and manager of portfolio advisory services at Nesbitt Thomson, with Janet Tudhope.



The Priority Pyramid

Priorities can be established in purchasing investments and the most general approach is a pyramid. The priority pyramid above combines basic financial planning and investing. Starting at the bottom, consider the items as building blocks in the investment program. You do not have to complete each level before progressing to the next, but always keep in mind the value of a solid financial base.

Priorities can be established in basic financial planning and investments, and one interesting approach is via NTB's pyramid.

Starting at level 1, items such as adequate insurance (life, auto, accident), will debt elimination, and availability of an emergency fund should be established as building blocks before further investment.

Tudhope points out that level 2 in the priority pyramid is investments in RHOSPs, home, RRSPs and Canada Savings Bonds.

Level 3 is term deposits, T-bills, and income splitting.

Further up the ladder is investment in bonds, options, mutual funds and blue chip (senior) and penny (junior) stocks.

Level 5 in the pyramid includes MURBS (Multiple Unit Residential Buildings) and drilling funds.

More hazardous investments at level 6 range from commodities, gold and Canadian films, to gems and art. (Commodities are one of the most speculative investments involving trading in contracts for the purchase of grains, pork bellies or sugar . . . to name a few. These are investments for the seasoned investor with a willingness to spend time following a highly volatile market and the ability to absorb short losses.

Tudhope places condo buying on the 7th or 8th level of the pyramid because it's a huge undiversified investment and a large amount of capital is tied up in one place.

She puts franchises at level 11. "You must be knowledgeable in business before getting into franchises because you're locking all your capital into one area," she said.

Counselor Kim Humphries of the Women's Financial Planning Centre says that gold is also a risky investment, noting that gold used to cost more than $800 an ounce and is now about half that.

The Women's Financial Planning Centre was opened last May and offers free financial advice to men even though it's aimed primarily at women. It's located at 5 Hazelton Ave. and is sponsored by Imperial Life.

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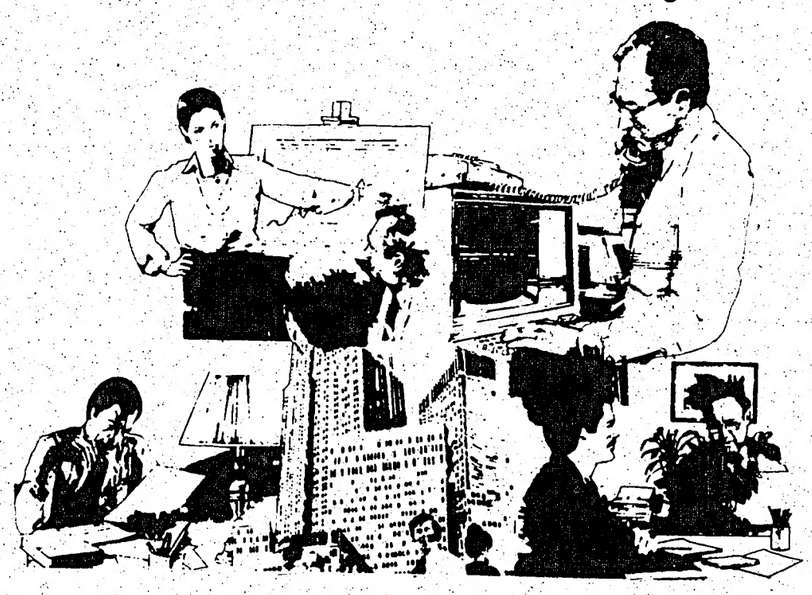

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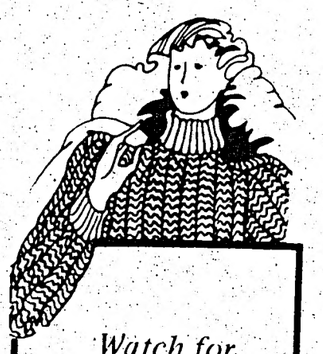

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Business Outlook

Chering offers unique system

Glitter of gold combines with sounds of silver

By
LEN BUTCHER

TORONTO —
The thought of buying gold and silver for the average person is sometimes intimidating, and, when one hears prices like $400 an ounce — costly.

But, according to bullion dealer Hugh Betts, it doesn't have to be either and his company, Chering Services Inc. backs up what he says.

Sitting in his 11th floor office at 5799 Yonge St. (222-4499) Betts talks about gold and silver as an investment and how the small investor can get involved.

He says that silver "will be one of the most solid investments a person can make in this decade."

The reason, he says, is based on the "particular role that silver plays in our economy.

"Silver conducts electricity better than any other metal we have and because it is used in electronics, it is becoming even more important to our society.

"As less-developed countries and particularly China, move slowly but surely into our world, demand for silver will rise significantly."

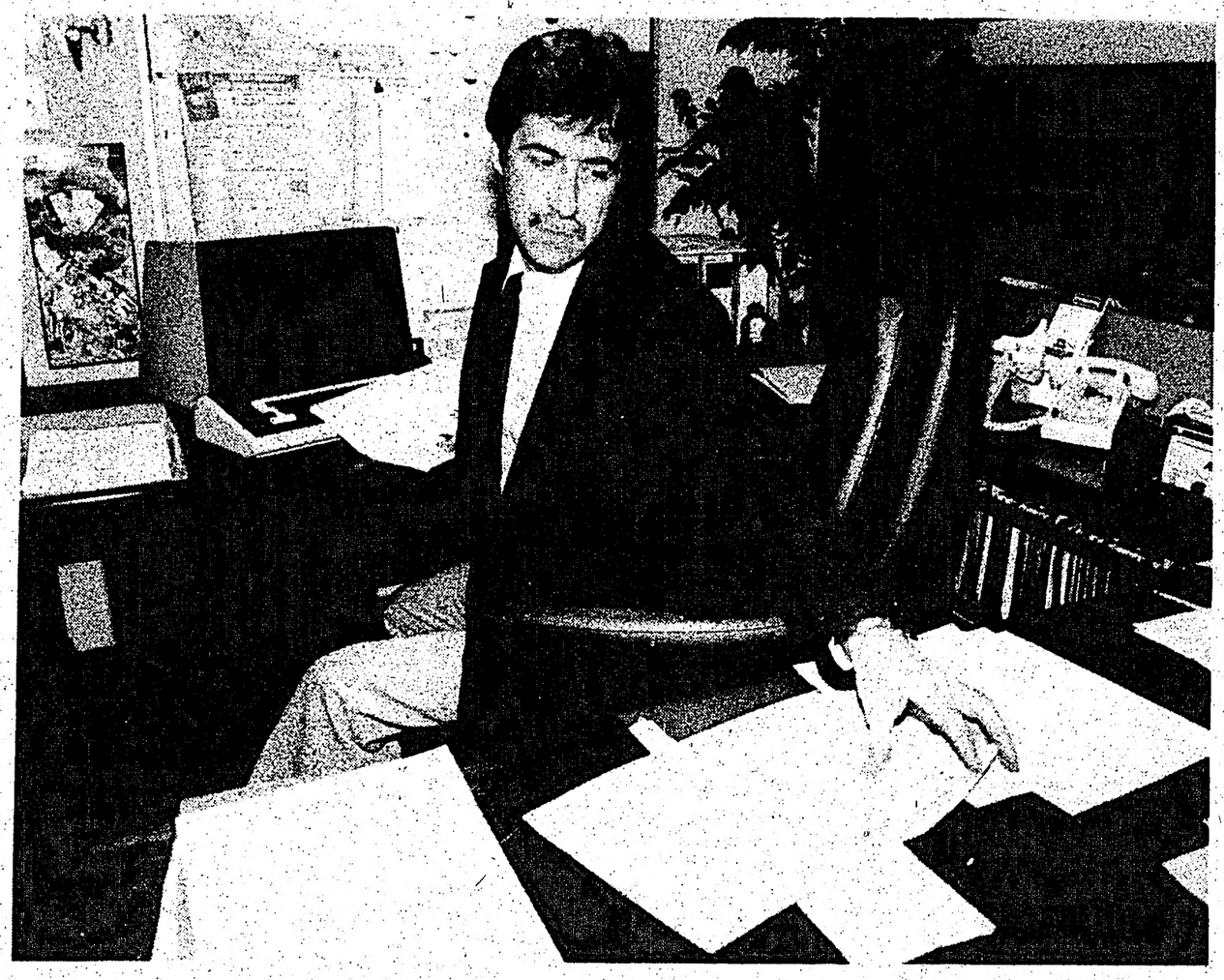
Add to that, Betts says, is silver's use in photography and the photographic industry uses 28% of the silver in North America.

As for gold, Betts says that aside from being used as a monetary base in jewelry, which "is not something we have to have," banks and governments which have a lot of money want to put it in something that will maintain its wealth.

"The U.S. dollar used to be the answer, but that is changing. Most currencies are weak and the economy throughout most of the world, is in bad shape."

Betts feels that as the economic situation worsens, the price of gold will rise, ending in a situation whereby the government confiscates private holdings of gold, buying it up at the going rate. "But by the time that happens, gold will have risen appreciably."

Today, Betts says, only 2% of North Americans own gold and silver, but he predicts that by 1990, one out of every five Canadians will have invested in the precious metals.



Hugh Betts checks price of gold and silver. [Ronny Shinder photo]

To help them do that, Betts, in June of 1980, formed Chering Services Inc. and Chering Metals Club, which, according to Betts, offers all investors a chance to buy bullion at the lowest price in the financial world for an annual membership fee of $98.

The club makes its gold and silver purchases directly from Johnson Mathey Ltd., one of the world's largest refineries, avoiding markup and commission charges.

This, along with not charging a storage fee or U.S. exchange rate, as other sellers do, lets Chering's investors buy more at a better price than elsewhere, he claims.

Betts explains the way Chering operates.

"An investor, once he or she joins the club, simply makes a minimum $50 deposit, either in person, by mail or bank transfers. The minimum buy is 1 ounce of silver or 1/10 ounce of gold.

"Chering then makes the purchase for that person and the balance of cash is left in his account. He makes deposits whenever he wants to and all he has to do is let us know whether he wants gold or silver.

"Each month the members are sent statements showing how much silver or gold they have purchased and a cash balance. It's that simple."

To make it easy for its investors, Betts says, Chering has developed what he says is a system unique in the financial world.

"We have established a relationship with the Toronto Dominion Bank whereby we have three accounts — cash, gold and silver. If a member is registered in that system, he can call, free of charge, from anywhere in Canada, a number provided by the bank, and tell the operator how much money he wants deposited in either of the three accounts.

If he deposits it in the cash account, we don't do anything until we receive instructions.

"What happens is that the information is fed into a large computer in Mississauga which gives the member calling a 5-digit receipt number, which means the transaction has been accepted and processed. It is then fed into our computer in the office and we make the buy for that member."

Betts says for added protection for its members, Chering uses the accounting firm of Samson Belair to confirm, from the bank, the transactions made and check them against Chering's statements.

"Once they are verified, the statements are sent out to our members." In other words, you don't have to take our word that we have made the transactions you ordered. Everything is verified."

If members really want to play it safe, Betts says, they are welcome at any time to withdraw their bullion. "It's simply sitting in storage, so if they want it, they can have it. All they have to do is fill out a withdrawal slip and arrange for a delivery time."

In its first year, Chering had more than 1,000 members and more than $1 million invested. Betts says it has never given figures out since, but says the numbers have increased substantially.

Not all, however, has been smooth sailing. In December of 1980, the Ontario Securities Commission slapped a temporary cease-trading order on Chering while it investigated the operation.

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Business Outlook

Never pay more than you should

RRSPs head popularity list as top tax reducers

By
MURRAY SHERR &
BUNNY BERGSTEIN

Even though the calendar says that 1983 has ended, Revenue Canada, Taxation says it is not yet accounted for . . . at least not until you file your 1983 income tax return. Therefore, there is still a lot of thinking to be done about 1983.

There are two items that all income tax advisors agree upon. First, never pay more than you should. Secondly, never pay income tax before it is due. At first glance these statements seem simple and yet, each year, many people involuntarily overlook them.

Never paying more tax than you should means taking full advantage of all that the Income Tax Act allows in order to reduce your taxable income. Never paying your income tax before due means taking advantage of all tax shelters and deferrals permitted.

It is obvious that the more one reduces taxable income, the less tax is paid and thus a larger portion of income is retained. It is just as obvious that by deferring tax to a future time, the tax dollars that would have been paid currently are retained to continue earning for the taxpayer.

The most widely used and easily available income tax reducer and tax deferral is a Registered Retirement Savings Plan. It allows the taxpayer to do both at a single stroke.

In fact, an RRSP allows money, out of current income, to be saved, to accumulate interest and to grow before income tax is assessed.

This, over a period of time, for the vast majority of people, has the effect of compounding the savings to a far larger sum than if they invested the same amount of money after tax each year and paid income tax annually on the growth.

A person age 60 who deposits $5,500 at 10% to an RRSP each year, will accumulate $112,110 by age 71. The same amount deposited to an after-tax savings account at the same rate of interest, and assuming an average income tax rate of 35%, will accumulate $52,500.

These figures show dramatically that saving before paying tax and without having the interest taxed as you go, produces remarkable results. If the income tax bracket is higher than 35%, the results are even more startling.

So, tax is deferred, but it still must be paid later. Indeed it must. But even if 50% is paid on the $112,110, the taxpayer will still have $56,055 and, therefore, be better off than if he paid the tax year by year. The great advantage comes by further stretching out the deferral period by annuitizing the RRSP.

For most people, annutizing means providing income after their working days end. Therefore, for most, the income will come back at the same or lower income tax rate than was saved at the time of deposit. The important point is that there is a great deal more money to produce income with, and therefore, a much larger income is produced from $112,110 than can be produced from $52,500.

If a man age 71 put $112,110 into a life annuity, guaranteed a minimum of 10 years, he would, at today's rates, receive about $1,380 per month. If the same man invested $52,500 at a rate of 14% each year, his monthly income would only be $644. Obviously, $1,350 is better than $644. And the income tax is paid only on the amount received each year, thereby stretching the tax payable over a longer period of time.

The example, using a life annuity with a 10-year minimum, may not be the right choice of annuity for everyone. In fact, there are more than 100 kinds of annuities. With careful consideration and the help of a knowledgeable and skilled advisor, the right program can be selected for every need. Following is a broad description of the major types of annuities.

• Single life annuities are those that pay an income for the lifetime of one person. The income will continue for as long as the annuitant lives. Should the annuitant die in less than the guaranteed period, the income will continue to the spouse for the remainder of that period.

The guaranteed period may be any period of time, usually 5 years, 10 years, 15 years, or 20 years, or even to the annuitant's age 90.

If both annuitant and spouse die prior to the end of the guaranteed period, there will be a refund of the remaining balance to the estate.

• Joint and last survivor annuities pay an income for the lifetime of the annuitant and will continue after the death of that person for the entire lifetime of the spouse. With this arrangement, husband and wife become partners in the income that cannot run out while either one is alive.

A guaranteed period may be added in the same manner as above. If both spouses should die before the end of the guaranteed period, there will be a cash refund of the remaining balance to the estate of the last to survive.

Joint and last survivor annuities can be arranged so that the amount paid can be reduced at the death of one of the spouses. By careful integration with other estate assets, the application of a ¼ or ⅓ reduction on the first death has the effect of producing a higher income while both are alive. In some cases this is helpful and desirable.

All annuities described above may be indexed to produce larger income each year. The maximum indexing allowed is 4% per year, compounded annually.

• There is also a term certain annuity to age 50. Fixed payment amounts are made to the annuitant's age 90. If death takes place before age 90, the payments will continue to the surviving spouse. If there is no spouse, a refund of the remaining principal will be paid to the estate. This is the only "term certain" allowed by the Income Tax Act.

Since payment must end at age 90, for some people this form of annuity will end too soon and they will be out of funds from this source. In addition, most other annuities pay a higher monthly return than the term certain to age 90.

• A Registration Retirement Income Fund allows that a fraction of the value of the fund must be taken by the annuitant each year. The fraction is the number of years remaining to age 90. Therefore, when a RRIF is arranged at age 65 for 25 years, the annuitant must receive 1/25, 1/23, 1/22, 1/21, 1/20, 1/19, etc. until the total of the fund is paid by age 90.

Because of the fractional formula of payout with a RRIF, and assuming level investment earnings and expenses, the amount the annuitant receives will start at a very low level and increase each year. Recent changes to RRIFs allow an additional 6% each year over and above the stated formula if requested by the annuitant.

The state of health of the annuitant can often affect the amount of the income to be received. A person who has suffered a heart attack, stroke, or other serious ailment can have the normal annuity payment substantially increased. The increased rates do not, however, apply to either the term certain to age 90, or the RRIFs.

The increase in income can often be 5% to 20%, depending on the individual circumstances. Where long guaranteed periods are chosen, the effect of the increased rate is reduced.

Many people are confused about how to convert their RRSPs into annuities. Whether the amount of money is large or small, it is always important to get the best value for it. The most important factor is to choose the right annuity from more than over 100 available. Seek advice from an annuity specialist in the same way that you would from a lawyer or accountant when requiring decisions in their fields.

The importance of obtaining the best advice possible cannot be stressed too strongly, as a decision will affect income for many years.

Seek out an experienced broker. Ask questions. Keep an open mind. Get the broker to do all the work and make all the calculations and prepare quotations. By following these simple suggestions, you will save a great deal of time and money and income tax.

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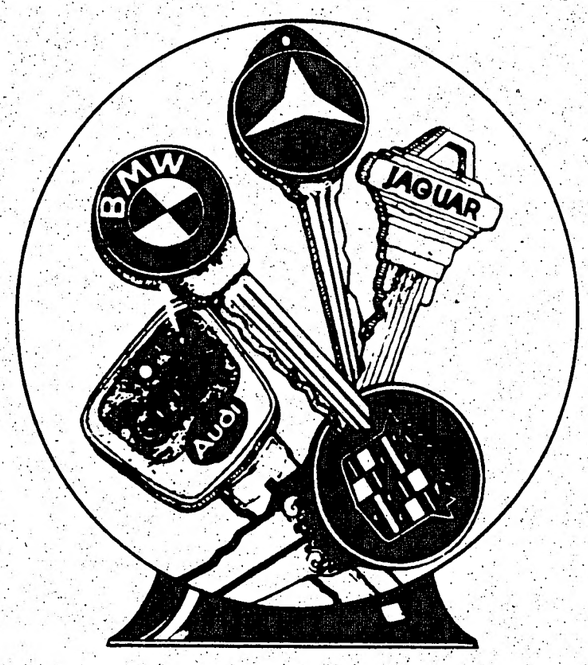

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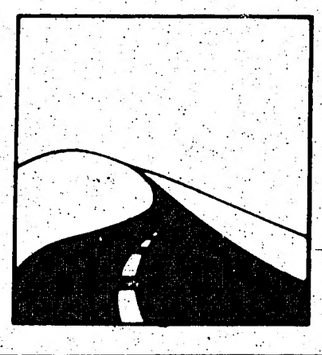

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Business Outlook

Eskimos' work shows phenomenal increase

Art seen as the best aesthetic gamble in town

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Razie Brownstone, director of the Innuit Art Gallery on Prince Arthur Ave., laughs as she recalls two frenzied phone calls she got recently from New Yorkers intent on making a fast buck by speculating in Canadian art.

Said New Yorker No. 1: "I always attend art auctions, but never art galleries. So, tell me, where is Eskimo art at today?"

Said New Yorker No. 2: "Hey, who's about to die? I'm betting that the only sure way of making a killing in the Eskimo art market is to sell the stuff sculptured by a dead Eskimo."

Like most Toronto art dealers, Brownstone is inclined to give this stock answer when faced with such crass inquiries:

"Collect art for love; not for money. In the short range, it's a poor investment. If you want to make big bucks, buy real estate.

"But if you aspire to touch greatness, buy art. It's the best aesthetic gamble in town."

It's not that art is a poor investment, Brownstone says, if you think of your purchase in long-range terms.

"If you buy a mink coat, there's no way you can trade it in at its original value 20 years later," she says. "But if you buy a piece of worthwhile art, it's bound to appreciate in value and almost any reputable gallery will take it back and allow you to trade it up."

The trick is, of course, to develop a sound appreciation of art that's not faddy, but has genuine durability. She gives two examples of Innuit artists whose work has enjoyed a phenomenal increase in value.

• The 50 prints of The Enchanted Owl, issued by Kenojuak of Cape Dorset on Baffin Island in 1960, sold for a trifling $75 each. But that red owl has since become Canada's first Innuit postage stamp. Now one of those original prints would fetch close to $15,000.

• Another owl by another Eastern Arctic artist — a 6-inch soapstone bird sculptured by Joe Talirnili — sold for $75 a decade ago and today is worth more than $1,500. Similarly, Talirnili's sculptures of migration scenes, which once went for $1,000, have skyrocketed in price to $20,000.

Immigration sculptures like this one by Joe Talirunili are regarded as a sound art investment. [Innuit Gallery photo]

Simon Dresdnere, of 12 Hazelton Ave., one of Canada's leading art dealers for more than a quarter of a century, is another expert who advocates long-range art investment.

"First you've got to know your onions," says the Bucharest - born Dresdnere, who survived confinement in the ghetto at Cernowitz, Romania during World War II. "Then you should plan your portfolio of art for the next 20 years or so, as though purchasing blue-chip stocks."

If you can afford it, he suggests you might consider one major art piece per year for your collection. "At the same time, don't overlook the thrill of getting in on the ground floor of an unknown artist and the pleasure of watching him rise in the art market-place," he says.

He cites what happened to two of the Toronto stars in his stable of 18 contemporary painters: William Ronald and Ronald Bloore, a pair of onetime experimental unknowns, whose works now fetch up to $25,000 internationally.

Here are tips offered by Brownstone and Dresdnere as well as Toronto lawyer Aaron Milrad, co-author of the pioneer guidebook, The Art World: Law, Business & Practice in Canada.

• Beware if you're approached by a hotshot art salesman who claims his bargain offer is valid only for today. If it's a stolen work of art, you are in danger of being accused as his accomplice in crime. If it's a bogus work, it's no bargain.

A reputable art dealer will generally allow you time to negotiate, do research, reserve a work on approval.

• Beware of buying a kitschy imitation of Eskimo sculpture. The fakes are usually made of plaster, are easily chipped, and sell for $5 to $25.

The authentic Innuit works are generally made of soapstone, sell for $30 and up, are often signed by the artist in syllabics, and must bear the certified Canadian Eskimo Art label which contains a sketch of a black-and-white igloo inside a circle.

• When considering the purchase of a print, don't hesitate to ask that it be removed from the frame so that you can make sure it has been properly mounted.

• If you buy a work, make sure your receipt clearly indicates its provenance and whether it's a "reproduction" or "original."

• Though you may have bought a painting, keep in mind that you can't reproduce it commercially unless you have a signed agreement from the artist.

• At art auctions, buy a catalogue and examine the terminology carefully before you make a bid. Works by the Canadian Group of Seven may fetch more than $250,000, but they must be properly validated.

Accept a work that is warranted "by Tom Thomson," but beware of such categories as "attributed to Thomson," after Thomson," "in the manner of Thomson" or "studio of Thomson."

• **Keep in mind Razie Brownstone's motto: "The best art investment is in your own pleasure."**

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Business Outlook

Buy or lease creates dilemma for many drivers

By
GARY COHEN

TORONTO —
While the feeling of pride associated with owning a new car may not exactly be going the way of the Edsel, the trend towards personal leasing has become a significant one in today's automobile trade.

But while more people are leasing their cars, the benefits and drawbacks are a very personal matter, according to financial experts and dealers alike. For some, leasing may be a good financial strategy — for others a way to drive the car they like, but can't afford to buy.

Gino Caletti, leasing manager for Roy Foss Motors in Thornhill, the biggest dealership in the metropolitan area, told The CJN that his company has put "a heavy emphasis on leasing."

While the average dealership takes about 25-30% of its business through its leasing department, Caletti said, Roy Foss leases to over 50% of its clients.

Caletti, a 13-year Foss employee, said last year brought "the most dramatic trend towards leasing I've seen" and estimated that trade had doubled over the 1982 figures.

Says Caletti:

"Sticker prices can come as quite a shock. Leasing gives the customer an option to outright buying. An automobile is pretty much an expense and not much of an investment. For one thing, it takes a lot of equity out of your pocketbook if you are buying. And a lease may be $100 less a month than car payments if you need financing."

Everyone contacted by The CJN agreed that the most popular and advantageous lease for an individual is a 3-year contract with an option to buy, although various leasing arrangements can be designed to fit personal needs. When that lease is signed, a residual value for the car is agreed upon.

That value may range from $8,000-$9,000 for a Cadillac to $4,200-$5,000 for a Buick Century to around $3,000 for a Pontiac Acadian. And whether or not you intend to buy the car, the interest on the car's residual value is calculated as part of your monthly payments.

Usually the residual value is below the anticipaated worth of the car after three years, so if you pick up the option to buy you will probably get the automobile at a good price. If you should decide to sell the car, most lessors will find a buyer and refund the amount the sale price exceeds the residual value — less their commission.

But it's important to remember there are penalties in every contract to compensate in instances where the car falls below its anticipated worth. These most often take the form of mileage restrictions — any usage over 48,000 miles during the three years is subject to penalty. This feature may make leasing impractical for people who drive long distances and pile up the miles.

Overall, the residual value, because it is an assumed asset, may allow you to drive a $16,000 vehicle for the same monthly payments you'd make to buy a $12,000 car, while, making it more difficult for you to ever own the car. The greater the gap between your means and the car, probably the tougher it will be for you to purchase it later.

Shelly Richman, co-owner of Leaseplan, an independent leasing firm which has over 400 cars on the road, pointed to the flexibility of leasing as one of its advantages. If you crave modernity, Richman said, leasing makes it "easy to move out of one car and get into the next."

On a standard lease you can change cars after three years as a matter of course and, because payments and the car's value are calculated on a monthly schedule, "contracts can be reworked and put into a new lease," he said.

Both Richman and Terry Green, owner of Hav-A-Kar, another independent with about 250 cars on lease, stressed the personal service aspect of leasing — especially from smaller companies such as their own. Unlike the case with buying, there is constant contact between the lessor and client, both have some stake in the condition of the car and, almost always, maintenance is handled through the lessor.

Green and Richman claim this relationship with the client leads to a more personal touch, better maintenance, better customer retention and a stronger incentive for the lessee to keep the automobile in top shape.

Joseph Lebovics a chartered accountant with Lebovics and Handelsman CAs, said "the complexity of the tax system makes it almost impossible to make comment on the advantages or disadvantages of leasing for a given individual."

Lebovics says a rule of thumb he tells his clients to follow is, "the less you use your car for business, the more sense it probably makes to buy. The more you use it for business — especially if you are getting compensation on your monthly payments from your employer — usually the better it is to lease the car."

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Business Outlook

"The market is a myth"

There's more to buying diamonds than sparkle

By
LEN BUTCHER

TORONTO —
Diamonds may be forever, but are they a good investment?

Definitely not, says diamond merchant Lily Bitton, co-owner of Diamonds de Bitton at 1111 Finch Ave. W. [665-1900]. At least not as a short-term investment.

"They could be over a period of maybe 10 to 20 years, but even then, only if you buy right," says the attractive dealer as she sits in her small, 4th floor office.

And to buy right means two things, according to Bitton.

"You must buy as close to the source as possible to get the best price and most important, you must buy certified diamonds so you know exactly what you are getting."

Bitton says for some reason, the public, when buying a diamond, takes the view of "I trust him" or "I've dealt with so-and-so for years."

"I say when you buy diamonds you trust no one — not friends, not neighbors, not people you've dealt with before. You only trust the certificate you get with the diamond that shows you bought the best value for your money."

And don't just go to one place, she advises. "Shop around, compare identical, certified diamonds, then buy from whoever gives you the best price."

Lily Bitton displays sealed diamond and diamond certificate.

The key, however, is buying a certified diamond, something that most jewelers don't carry, Bitton says. And, she adds, something of which the majority of the public is unaware.

Bitton explains what a "certified diamond" means.

"When you buy a certified diamond you are given a certificate which has been issued when bought at one of the world's four diamond exchanges (Amsterdam, Antwerp, New York, Tel Aviv).

"This certificate supplies a complete description of the diamond, including clarity grade, color grade, shape, weight, fluorescence, measurements, identification marks and finish grade.

"The diamond accompanying the certificate is in a plastic seal with a microfilm, which also details everything there is to know about that diamond."

Once the seal is broken, Bitton says, the certificate is no longer valid, "because you don't know who may have had access to it and whether it has been changed with another diamond of inferior quality."

Bitton says she can't stress enough to buyers to only buy certified diamonds. "Then have them mounted or made into a particular piece of jewelry."

Bitton, a French Jew from Israel who comes from a family of diamond cutters, says that after seeing the way the public was "getting ripped off" because of the astronomical sums they were paying for low-quality diamonds, decided to go into business and combine high quality diamonds with low prices.

"There's no reason why a person should have to pay $10,000 or $12,000 for a 1-carat diamond. They can get the same thing for $4,000 and certified if they have the right contact.

"The diamond market is a myth — a fabricated market."

Bitton teamed up with businessman Marvin Mandel and seven months ago went into business. Their approach is unique.

"The way we work," Bitton says, "is that the client pays cost price — whatever the diamond cost us — plus a brokerage fee of 25%. This means they are buying as close to the source (diamond exchange) as possible."

Bitton also uses craftsmen who design and make jewelry for her clients. "The only charge for this is the cost of materials used (gold, silver, platinum, etc.) and even that we only charge wholesale price, which is about half. There is no charge for labor."

The diamond merchant says she has seen rubies being bought for $700 and sold for $7,000.

This, she says, makes her angry, but until the public becomes more aware, it will continue. "Unfortunately, this is one area where the public has not been exposed. To the majority of people, a diamond is a diamond. They all look alike. But it's a big investment and people should know what they're getting."

She told of a man coming to her recently wanting to check the authenticity of a diamond he'd just bought for $1,200. "It was a real diamond, all right, but only worth about $100. He took it back and bought a ½-carat diamond from us, VVSI and H in color (white). We set it for him in 14-carat gold and the whole thing cost him $1,275. There's just no need for the ripoff."

As an investment, Bitton says, "you must look at it this way. A diamond is worth only as much as a buyer wants to pay for it. You can have a diamond worth $1 million, but if there's no buyer, then it's not worth that amount."

Bitton says she has a wide variety of clients — "from the individual who wants to buy a diamond for a piece of jewelry, to the investor who buys a bagful."

—And what about the lady who sells them?

"I love diamonds. They're beautiful and will outlast everything. They really are forever," she says smiling.

Group helps small business

TORONTO —
The phenomenon of "networking" has moved into the field of small business in a big way in the form of an innovative new Canadian organization.

The Small Business Network, begun in October of last year, is holding its first program on Jan. 24 at Oakham House, 63 Gould St. on the Ryerson Campus at 7 p.m.

Networking brings together people from diverse businesses and backgrounds who meet on a regular basis and draw upon the experiences of each other to generate fresh ideas and expand business opportunities.

Reva Starr, a director of The Starr Group, Management Consultants, who founded the organization, says she recognized the potential of networking as a low cost, but effective means of enhancing business success.

"While new business formations are approaching record levels (proprietorships and partnerships up 15%, incorporations up 34% in Ontario in 1983), the failure rate is extremely high," she says.

"Close to 100,000 Canadian small businesses declare bankruptcy annually. Statistics show that some 90% of all retail and service businesses established in Canada are out of operation within three years."

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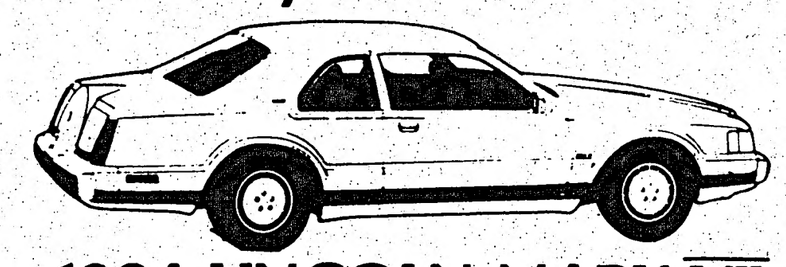

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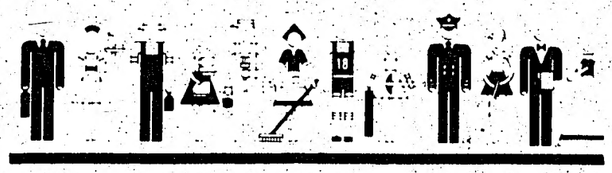

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Mime produces strong, emotional effect

Kanar turns Run Jacob, Run! into powerful theatre

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
Run Jacob, Run! is a complete evening of powerful theatre.

Mime artist Zwi Kanar, a pixie of man, has combined his own art with narration, music and lighting in an ingenious combination to produce a strong emotional effect. The play runs at Leah Posluns Theatre until Feb. 4.

Kanar's movements are so light he almost appears to be floating on air. A 52-year-old man who weighs only 110 pounds, Kanar in fact looks much younger in real life, despite the harrowing experiences he had in surviving a death march and six concentration camps.

This autobiographical piece ends with Kanar running towards the sun — and Israel. Today, this accomplished mime is indeed an Israeli citizen. He wrote Run Jacob, Run! in 1974 in reaction to an anti-semitic incident in a Belgium theatre, during a performance.

Among the most moving moments in the play are those when Kanar speaks Yiddish, recalling his grandfather's prayers when the Jews of the town of Skalbmierz in Poland are rounded up, forced to undress naked in the market square, and are shot to death by the Nazis.

Obeying his mother's frantic instruction, Jacob, then a boy of 9, slipped away from the soldiers, and ran into the countryside. But he was eventually taken to a camp in Czenstochowa with the rest of his family.

Zwi's father died in Buchenwald, the day before liberation, but his mother, two sisters and two aunts, also survived.

Kanar is the complete theatre artist — he wrote the narration and dialogue in addition to producing and directing the whole production.

The narration is skilfully integrated and delivered by classic American actor Ted Davis, himself the founder of two theatre companies. Davis is co-director of the Theatre at Monmouth, where the State Shakespeare Festival in Maine is held.

Despite the tragic events at the play's centre, Kanar has included many sequences, such as his boyhood in the Polish town, which is charming. If every rebbe in a cheder could portray the Hebrew alphabet the way Kanar does it in mime, education would take a giant leap forward.

The artist has wisely built the production around the history of the Jewish people as a whole, so that the Holocaust is seen in perspective. In the sequences which include Creation and Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, Kanar's miming is particularly effective.

His movements are so precise that the terror of the roundup in Skalbmierz is reflected with enormous impact in the mere in and out movement of his diaphragm.

The mime's humor is infectious. "You are a Pole of Mosaic persuasion," a teacher thunders at little Jacob in the schoolhouse. Jacob's reply is a trill-like fluttering of his hands, and a bounce or two on his slippered feet, as if to say, "So be it!"

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Use of phone leads to gallery

By
MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —
When Rona Gold moved into a new area a few years ago and asked if she could use Marlene Landa's phone, the two young women were drawn together as neighbors, friends, and ultimately business associates. Recently they opened Gold and Landa Arts in Willowdale, a bright new addition to the suburban gallery scene.

Gold, a former Montrealer, mother of two and a part-time French teacher, was also an agent for John Lim, the Chinese-born artist whose distinctive family recollections have a wide appeal.

Landa, who has three sons, is originally from Hamilton. A graduate social worker with an enthusiasm for art, she sometimes brought prospective clients to her neighbor.

They decided to pool their resources to set up a gallery featuring quality works at fair prices, geared to the corporate and individual market.

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"Often," says Gold, "people don't have the time to spend looking for a piece of art, or they may be just a little hesitant when it comes to selection. We can help them to find a work that is attractive, livable, functional, and that they will like! We will even have a canvas painted to order."

Bronze sculpture by Erte.

Lim is one of the gallery's major artists, and there is a comprehensive group of his originals and serigraphs, ranging from the familiar doll-people to more recent, spare florals done in pastel colors.

Though there is strong Canadian representation, Gold and Landa have also gathered a collection with an international flavor.

Among the Canadians are sculptors Anna Kohn, whose glowing bronzes project serenity and unity, and Zurach, whose stone and metal pieces are more intense.

Gerda and Fred Neubacher are from Austria, but they live and paint at a country home near Milton, Ont. Gerda's beautiful women and carefree children have an idyllic quality. Fred's bucolic landscapes bring fresh air into a room.

During a vist to California, Marlene Landa discovered Fanch, a French artist who divides his time between the U.S. and France. His series — Spring, Winter, Summer, Fall — meld aspects of both countries in rare harmony. Gold and Landa are his sole Canadian agents.

Exceptionally striking are the art deco sculptures and serigraphs by Erte, the renowned designer and illustrator cum sculptor, who in his 90th year, is enjoying a resurgence of acclaim. Born Romain de Tirtoff in Russia, he adopted his nom de plume from the French pronunciation of his initials, RT.

At the age of 70, Erte began to produce his works in lithography, serigraphy and metal sculpture. Now he is translating many of his sketches into limited edition cast bronze sculptures.

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Arts

Makes Canadian debut

Israel Chamber Orchestra coming to Massey Hall

music

By RICK KARDONNE

One of the world's most acclaimed chamber music ensembles, the Israel Chamber Orchestra, will make a debut Canadian concert appearance Feb. 23 at Massey Hall.

The Israel Chamber Orchestra, founded in 1965 by Gary Bertini, offers a selection of music ranging from baroque to original contemporary works commissioned for Israeli composers.

The repertoire includes solo recitals, works for chamber orchestra, and choral concerts. Its members include local talent and many recent immigrants, mainly from the U.S. and the USSR.

Among its outstanding musical directors in the past have been Rudolf Barshai (originally with the Moscow Chamber Orchestra) and Luciano Berio.

In 1982, Uri Segal took over musical direction following a successful career abroad. After winning first prize in the 1969 Mitropoulos Conducting Competition in New York, he conducted major orchestras in New York, England and throughout Europe. He records for Decca and EMI.

formed at the Salzburg Festival.

For further information call Jeanne Brake or Gregory Williams at 536-4795.

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A strong minor key classical liturgical theme made Sholom Kalib's Birkat Kohanim, world-premiered at Beth Tzedec's Shabbat Shira service, a beautiful, simple but memorable work which should have broad contemporary synagogue appeal.

This work was commissioned by the family of Aaron Black in honor of his induction as president of Beth Tzedec.

Performed by Cantor Paul Kowarsky and the Beth Tzedec Choir, this melodic composition appeals straight to the heart in a mood of humble dignity.

There is no rhythm and, fortunately, no attempt to adhere to any fashionable trends. Yet it does not sound old-fashioned.

Birkat Kohanim proves that the Jewish liturgical conceptual framework offers its own wide scope for creative advance.

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A sound imbalance problem marred the initial impact of Stefan Wolpe's Yigdal, which, though composed in 1945, received its first complete world premiere recently at Toronto's St. James Cathedral, courtesy of New Music Concerts and the Max Clarkson Foundation.

Patrick Wedd's accompaniment on the grand St. James pipe organ frequently drowned out the subtly sensitive tones of a magnificent performance by the Elmer Iseler Singers. As a result, only the central fast passages, possessing a muscular abstract excitement set to a stirring Maimonides text, conveyed any degree of cogency. The rest of the time, the heavy organ sound tended to drag down the overall effect of the piece and the choir often sounded peripheral.

Yigdal remains a fine example of the adaptation of mid-century modernism at its best, within the Jewish liturgical context. It should be performed again, albeit with major sound-level adjustments.

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Another exemplary model of mid-20th-century modern composition at its best, this time on the chamber music level, is Oskar Morawetz's Sonata for Flute and Piano which was recently performed at Hart House by flautist Lucie Batteke accompanied by Elizabeth J. Watts.

Israel Chamber Orchestra will perform at Toronto's Massey Hall.

Shallon conducts concert

Conducting the Toronto concert will be David Shallon, who has guest-appeared with most of the world's leading orchestras. His initial operatic success was conducting Fidelio with the Vienna Philharmonic in 1979, followed by the world premiere of Gottfried von Einem's highly controversial opera The Marriage of Jesus at the 1980 Vienna Festival.

He has frequently assisted Leonard Bernstein.

The Toronto program includes Prokofiev's Classical Symphony in D minor, Mozart's first Flute Concerto (featuring on flute Eugenia Zuckerman), Stravinsky's Concerto for Chamber Orchestra in E-flat Major (Dumbarton Oaks), and Haydn's Symphony #95 in C Minor.

The Israel Chamber Orchestra performs its regular annual concert series throughout Israel as well as undertaking annual concert tours abroad. In 1982 it per-

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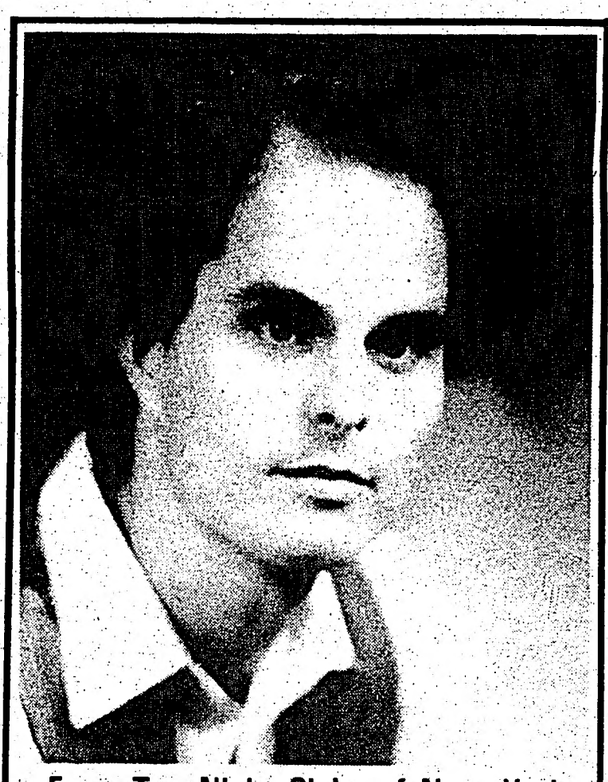

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New book on literature lists outstanding Jewish writers

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

The Oxford Companion to Canadian Literature. General editor, William Toye. Oxford University Press, $45.

Who are the outstanding Jewish writers? This question comes naturally to mind because the book under review, the first of the famous Oxford Companions to be devoted entirely to Canadian literature, affords a singular opportunity for critical evaluation of this nature.

The most notable of the novelists is undoubtedly Mordecai Richler. Saint Urbain's Horseman, which won a Governor-General's award, is referred to as his finest work. In it "Richler gives greater texture to the topics of exile and homeland and of Jewish and Canadian identity."

Creative and prolific in many literary forms, Richler may do his best work in the future.

Perhaps the most promising of the younger Jewish novelists is Matt Cohen. His themes are not Jewish but concerned, for the most part, with the southern Ontario countryside and the changes in the lives of pioneering families and their descendants as the old values and attitudes undergo decline and disintegration. His work involves a constant inter-penetration of past and present and has often been compared to the technique and similar intention of William Faulkner.

Among those who write in French, special notice must be taken of Naim-Kattan, head of the literary section of the Canada Council who was born in Baghdad and has immersed himself in many cultures — Jewish, Arab, French and North American. His essays, novels and short stories encompass an unusually wide range of subjects and perceptions. His novels, largely autobiographical in nature, contain much material of Jewish interest, especially Farewell, Babylon [1976] which depicts the fears of the Jewish community in Iraq of pogroms by Nazis and Bedouins.

Other novelists who receive generous biographical attention include, Adele Wiseman, Phyllis Gotlieb, Jack Ludwig, Henry Kreisel, Shirley Faessler and Helen Weinzweig.

Foremost among the poets of yesterday is Abraham M. Klein, whose career was tragically cut short before he had fulfilled his tremendous promise. He looms like a brooding presence over all modern Jewish poets — of whom Eli Mandel, the most admired, is at the same time the most intellectually demanding and complex. Most of his early work is intricate in style and replete with symbolism. "The Second World War, and the horrors of the concentration camps appear to have profoundly influenced his poetry. Although specific references to the war do not occur until 1973, all of his work is characterized by macabre images of suffering and destruction, and by a pervasive pessimism."

Irving Layton and Leonard Cohen receive ample and appreciative notice. Other poets described as making a distinctive and enduring contribution to Canadian literature are Miriam Waddington, Joe Rosenblatt and Seymour Mayne.

Jewish writers for the theatre — young, vigorous and imaginative — include Larry Fineberg, Sheldon Rosen and Rick Salutin.

This vast compendium of 834 pages, a triumph of editing, contains the helpful and informative critiques of close to 200 contributors. It is testimony to the scope and diversity of Canadian literature over three centuries and the not inconsiderable Jewish contribution. No one concerned with the Canadian cultural heritage can turn to this volume without a deep sense of pride.

Beethoven at Baycrest

Impact achieved by pianist

By RICK KARDONNE

TORONTO — An exhilarating, sweeping rendition of one of Beethoven's most glorious works, his Sonata #21 in C Major Opus 53, was the highlight of Yvette Tausinger's recent piano recital at Baycrest's Abe Posluns Auditorium.

Yvette Tausinger was born in Prague, emigrated to Toronto in 1976, and now lives in Philadelphia.

Highlights of her career in Czechosolvakia were the following: more than 20 performances with the Podebrady Symphony Orchestra; more than 10 joint recitals with the 9-member chamber ensemble of the Czech Philharmonic known as the Ceske Noneto; a full evening's solo recital at the Music Festival at Heidecksburg Castle in Rudolstadt, East Germany; two recitals at Bertramka, Mozart's villa in Prague, once as first-prize winner of the Dusek Competition; and a recital in Dvorak Hall House of Artists in Prague, one of the most prestigious concert halls in Europe, as first-prize winner of the Concertino Praga International Radio Competition.

She also appeared many times on Czechoslovak Radio and TV and on West German TV.

But she felt that the lot of a Jewish creative artist in Communist Czechoslovakia was a fragile one. "You lived by the whim of the government, and there was no predicting the future."

Her family, among the few Jewish families left in that Soviet-bloc country, practices Jewish observance despite government intolerance. "My parents were very courageous and determined people," she says.

Once the Tausingers arrived in Canada; they asked for and received political asylum.

A year following her arrival, Yvette was accepted as a student at Philadelphia's Curtis Institute of Music where she spent her last five years studying under Mieczyslaw Horszowski and chamber music coaches Felix Galimir, Misha Schneider and Karen Tuttle.

Yvette Tausinger

In 1980, Yvette was one of 17 performers selected from hundreds of contestants to perform in the spring concert series sponsored by Philadelphia's classical music station, WFLN. She has also broadcast nationwide over CBC.

Besides having performed frequently in the Philadelphia area, Yvette has also performed here in Toronto at the Leah Posluns Theatre and at Baycrest.

Her most recent Baycrest performance was hindered by a piano with too light an action. This baby grand was adequate for works requiring bold, straightforward emotions such as the Beethoven piece and the final sonata Mozart composed, #18 in C Minor, which seems to foreshadow Beethoven in its melodic self-assertion.

Both of these compositions, whose initial movements depend on contrasts between loud and soft extremes, achieved their desired impact, although she could have slightly varied her interpretations of the repeats in the first movements so as to sustain a feeling of providing something new, each time.

But when it came to her rendition of three romances by Robert Schumann, which require considerably more subtle tonal nuances, the instrument failed to provide Ms. Tausinger with the necessary texture, enabled by a heavier action, needed to provide the necessary effect. She seemed to be holding back.

The Baycrest residents deserve a better piano. Next time, when Yvette Tausinger performs here, she also, in addition, deserves a recital at St. Lawrence Centre Town Hall.

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Arts

Poet returns to Montreal

Layton lets loose at dullards and Oakville's rich

By
SHERYL HALPERN

MONTREAL —
Irving Layton is back in town after 14 years. And he's ready to talk — about his latest book of poetry, The Gucci Bag, about his third Nobel Prize nomination and about his reasons for returning to Montreal, his hometown.

Why did he leave Niagara-on-the-Lake and Oakville for a modest brick house in Montreal West?

"I'm writing a memoir about my Montreal childhood and adolescence, titled Waiting for the Messiah. I thought that living in Montreal would revive certain memories. And I have three sisters here."

Besides, he adds, "Niagara-on-the-Lake is a beautiful resort town, with more dullards per square mile than any other part of Canada.

"It has wealth and dullness, which are synonomous, and a gold-caped tooth called the Shaw Festival, which conceals the fact that the inhabitants are dull people living in the 19th century intellectually, with none of the liveliness and anxiety and curiosity of the Jewish people.

"I wrote some splendid poems there — in solitude — and then I moved to Oakville, which is an improved version of Niagara - on - the - Lake. Very rich people live there. Luckily you never see them — only their chauffeurs and their dogs.

"I began to yearn for complex, full-blooded neurotics, delightful shtick, Ben's Delicatessen. I thought nostalgically of the losers and neurotics of Montreal."

Montreal "has fulfilled all my hopes," he says, though he finds that the Jews in Levesque-era Montreal "have lost some of their exuberance. . . . There's been a thinning of the ranks."

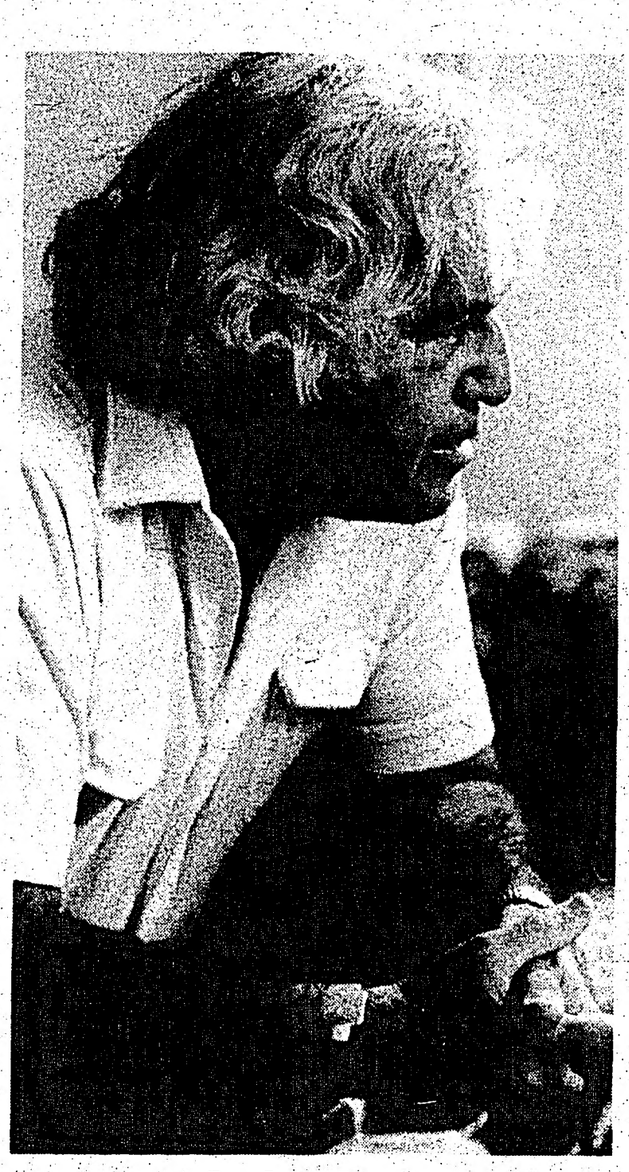
He prefers the city to "soulless, sterile Toronto, which has lots of glitz," and plans to stay here. "I like French-Canadians and their Catholic humanism. And modern Canadian poetry started here . . . we really started the ball rolling."

Poetry, says Layton, "should be an Alka-Seltzer — you drop it into stagnant water and watch it fizz. Poetry should be a kick in the ass."

His latest book of poems is both. It takes its title from a Gucci bag, a gift from Italy, that Layton nailed to the outside wall of his house on Niagara-on-the-Lake "to keep away the vampires of materialism and acquisitiveness."

The bag, he says, "is a symbol for his materialist, narcissistic society." The book "is a journey from hell to redemption and paradise — hell is the absence of love and compassion, the exultation of egotism, consumerism, materialism. Prophets from Moses to Jesus have thundered out against materialism — this is my thundering."

He reserves much of his thunder for "Idds," a term he has coined to describe the "Jewish Philistine." He distinguishes the Idd from the "true Jew." The Idd "pays lip service to the religion; he is a bigot — 'moneytheism' is his one true faith. He is a mercenary oaf with a conscience. The 10 Commandments give him a moral migraine."



Poet Irving Layton

Montreal, says Layton, is full of Idds; so is Toronto, "especially Forest Hill."

It is easy to become an Idd, he believes. "Jews are very good at making money — it's a fine talent, I don't mean to be derogatory. But once they're prosperous, they lose their endearing cosmic anxieties, their compassion, their sense of justice, reforming zeal, Messianic passion."

He quotes a poem from The Gucci Bag:

"Once they talked to God/Afterwards they harangued mankind/For a time they buttonholed its poets/and visionaries, the righteous in all lands/Now, in their plush synagogues/they are talking only to themselves."

"Jews have no business being just human," he concludes. "They should be a nation of priests — that was the ideal. We're wedded to a great ideal — if all there is is hypocrisy, we should just wrap it up."

There is no danger of him becoming an Idd, he says. He views his poetry as work in "the great Hebrew tradition." (A bilingual edition of his poems will soon be published in Israel.)

"I'm in the great Judaic tradition of prophetism and protest," he says. "I'm one of the last left to sound the note of protest that Judaism has sounded. Jews are no longer heretics, iconoclasts . . . but 'alrightniks.'"

He's pleased that his poetry is "more angry now, with none of its sensualism gone," and he wouldn't mind winning the Nobel Prize in literature for it (he's been nominated by Italy and South Korea this year). "It would be a nice honor. But they only give it to you when you're too old to enjoy it."

But the white-haired 71-year-old poet most enjoys the fact that "at my age, I have the luxury of saying what I want to say. I've seen so much wickedness, and I speak the truth as I see it. You won't get that from politicians, you won't get that from rabbis — they're bound to the shibboleths of the community. That's what poets are for."

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Escapade

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Optimism high as more Canadians flock to Israel

TORONTO —

Approximately 33,000 Canadians visited Israel in 1983 — an increase of 23% over the 27,000 tourists there the previous year.

And a buoyant Jonathan Harpaz, the Toronto-based director of the Israel Government Tourist Office in Canada, forecast last week that 35,000 Canadians will visit the Holy Land in 1984.

"That means the tourist trade will reach the record peak it hit in the mid-1970s," said Harpaz happily.

In an interview with The CJN, Harpaz listed a number of reasons why Canadian tourism to Israel is booming:

- His research figures show the Canadian economy has "perked up considerably," he says.
- El Al has lowered its return fare from Montreal to $798 until March 3 — almost $200 less than last winter.
- An increased number of tour wholesalers promoting travel to Israel have entered the field.
- There have been a growing number of Christian pilgrimages to the Holy Land.

Jonathan Harpaz

"In point of fact, 60% of the Canadians who now travel to Israel are Christians," said Harpaz. "The number of Jewish Canadians going to Israel has increased, too, but not as much as Gentile tourism.

"Our figures show that, since 1952, Canadian Christian pilgrimages to Israel have quadrupled."

Interestingly, said Harpaz, his statistics indicate that concern about safety due to headlines about the Lebanese conflicts has not affected Canadian tourism to Israel "in any really significant way."

Checking his figures, he said: "We had a very good tourist business from Canada in 1981. In 1982, when the Lebanese war peaked, tourism dropped 4%. Any decrease we suffered I attribute to the Canadian recession rather than fear of security.

"We had a tremendous increase in 1983, and I'd guess the headlines about Middle East fighting helped rather than hindered us. Both Christians and Jews got interested in little Israel which was being discussed every day and many decided to visit. They wanted to see for themselves what all the fuss was about."

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BONN [JTA] —

German tourism to Israel, which dropped sharply last year, is rising again and there is a good chance that the downward trend may be reversed, according to Eli Noy, director of the Israel Government Tourist Office in Frankfurt.

He reported that 17,000 German tourists went to Israel in October, up 17% from the same month last year.

The figure for all of 1983 is expected to be 108,000, compared to 107,500 in 1982. In that year, German tourism declined by 31% from the 1981 total, due to the war in Lebanon and the bitter personal attacks on former Chancellor Helmut Schmidt by former Premier Menachem Begin during the 1981 Israeali election campaign.

Tourism from other countries to Israel also fell last year, but the decline from Germany was steepest. Unlike the United States, Britain and France, Germany has few Jewish tourists to send to Israel.

But Noy believes that the prospects for 1984 are good. He noted that all of the major German tour operators have included Israel in their packages for next year, indicating that they consider the country to be politically acceptable once more and safe.

Heritage head makes deal with mayor of Tel Aviv

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Roni Wexler comes on strong.

He's a bouncy, persuasive Israeli redhead of 37 whose enthusiasm virtually bowls you over.

And as president of Heritage Tours at 3768 Bathurst St. (telephone 630-3932), he's a whirlwind showman who really means it when he coined his travel agency slogan: "Each new day should bring with it a new idea."

What he now regards as the niftiest new idea of his career came to him eight months ago, when he was talking to a military buddy he'd known when he was serving as an Israeli Army Tank Division officer in the Yom Kippur War.

Roni Wexler

His friend was General Shlomo Lahat, now mayor of Tel Aviv, and Wexler said: "Would you play host to a group from Toronto if I arranged to twin their city with your city of Tel Aviv?"

Lahat readily shook hands to confirm the arrangement. And so did Mel Lastman, the equally ebullient mayor of North York, when Wexler broached the idea to him.

Thus evolved the nucleus of what Lahat currently proclaims in his advertising promotion as: "A grand Canadian cultural extravaganza which will be an Israeli experience of a lifetime."

What this means is a 2-week tour of Israel from June 4 to 18 for about 80 North Yorkers (or others) who will each pay $2,299 and in return enjoy an event-studded trip beneficial to both Israelis and Canadians.

Here are some of the highlights of the itinerary which Wexler, a sweet-talking operator with oodles of charm, has organized:

- Chaim Herzog, President of Israel as well as head of World ORT which is raising funds for a Herzog ORT school for 1,400 students in Jerusalem, has agreed to meet a number of the visitors privately.
- The group will be received ceremonially by Lahat in Tel Aviv, by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, and by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's advisor, Harry Horowitz.
- Subject to security, they'll visit Canadian soldiers patrolling the Golan Heights and Israelis in southern Lebanon.
- They'll watch the military exercises of the Anti-Terrorist Border Guardians consisting of Druze, Moslems and Jews.
- They'll attend a special concert of the Tel Aviv Philharmonic Orchestra.

Making it clear that he has not embarked on this cultural project for commercial reasons, Wexler is donating his commission to the Ontario Men's ORT Chaim Herzog Presidential Scholarships for Veterans in Israel.

This is not to suggest that Wexler is non-commercial. The son of an Israeli insurance salesman and an entrepreneur who came to Toronto in 1970 and took over the presidency of Heritage Tours six years later, he does very well commercially.

"But I'm also very culture-minded," he says. A painter of abstract oils, who has studied fine arts and mass communications at York University and the Ryerson Institute here, he makes a point of studying Gemorrah every Sunday morning at the Kollel Aurchim Yeshiva on Coldstream Ave.

"It's my eye-opener of the week," he says. "I do it just for fun."

For Torontonians taking his tours to Israel or other exotic spots such as Peru, Costa Rica and Casablanca at rates as low as $799, he offers these tips:

- Before you leave home, go to the library and read up the history of your destination country; you'll appreciate it more.
- Forget your provincial customs when you visit a foreign country and accept theirs with an open mind.
- Get out of your hotel and make a genuine effort to mingle with the locals; otherwise, you might as well stay home and look at a travelogue film.
- Don't overlook a visit to the museums in your destination; it's an easy way of broadening your education.
- Finally, don't be a grouch. "If any mishaps happen when you're holidaying, as they're bound to, just accept them as an adventure."

Born-again exercisers shape up at the Bonaventure Inter-Continental Spa in Fort Lauderdale.

Spa provides rejuvenating retreat

Writer finds fountain of youth

By
MARLO FIELDSTONE

FORT LAUDERDALE —

Almost 500 years ago, according to legend, the famed Spanish explorer Ponce de Leon traveled through Florida in search of the fountain of youth. He never found it, but I did.

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I can still hear the inspiring voice of my favorite instructor, Pat, telling me: "If I can do it, you can do it! Move your buns, honey, and you will get into your Calvin Kleins."

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Escapade

The water seems to come alive in Puerto Rico fishing village

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

LA PARAGUERA, Puerto Rico —

In this little fishing village on the south coast of Puerto Rico, you can have a most unusual boat ride. The ride is at its best on a moonless night. The cruise boat — a large motorboat really — takes you to Phosphorescent Bay.

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Here you can also rent deep sea fishing boats for all-day trips into the Caribbean Sea for blue and white marlin, sail fish and dolphin.

One of the government-operated small inns or hotels, Villa Parguera, with swimming pool, restaurant and rooms with private bathrooms is here. These paradores are often historic mansions with old Spanish flavor renovated to provide modern small hotel accommodations throughout the island.

Puerto Rico is one of the most mountainous islands in the Caribbean area.

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You'll find small villages along the coasts and in the interior in mountain valleys or on lush mountain hilltops.

There are even some small cities with historic buildings, art galleries and good beaches.

Here are some places to visit:

Not to be missed is El Yunque, the mountain in the rain forest about 25 miles (40 kms.) east of San Juan. You climb from sea level till you are just under the island's three tallest mountains of which El Yunque at 3,496 feet (1,065 metres) is best known.

At the lowest levels in the rain forest the annual rainfall is 190 inches (almost 5 m). There is even likely to be a short shower as you travel the roads by car or along hiking trails, between giant ferns, palm trees, slender bamboo trees and wild orchids.

Fragrant white ginger grows here and in the shade you will see rose and pink flowers of the impatient sultaness.

The entire area is a bird sanctuary and you may spot as many as 200 species of birds in this forest.

At Arecibo on the north coast, west of San Juan, is the world's largest radio telescope for seeking signals from outer space and a famous observatory to study the heavens.

Visit Barranquitas along mountainous roads south of San Juan. Here is an historic house where Puerto Rican journalist and statesman Luis Munoz Rivera was born in 1859 and is buried. Hotel Barranquitas is here. The area is where native Puerto Ricans come for relaxation and the mountain air, and the location of one of a number of trade schools.

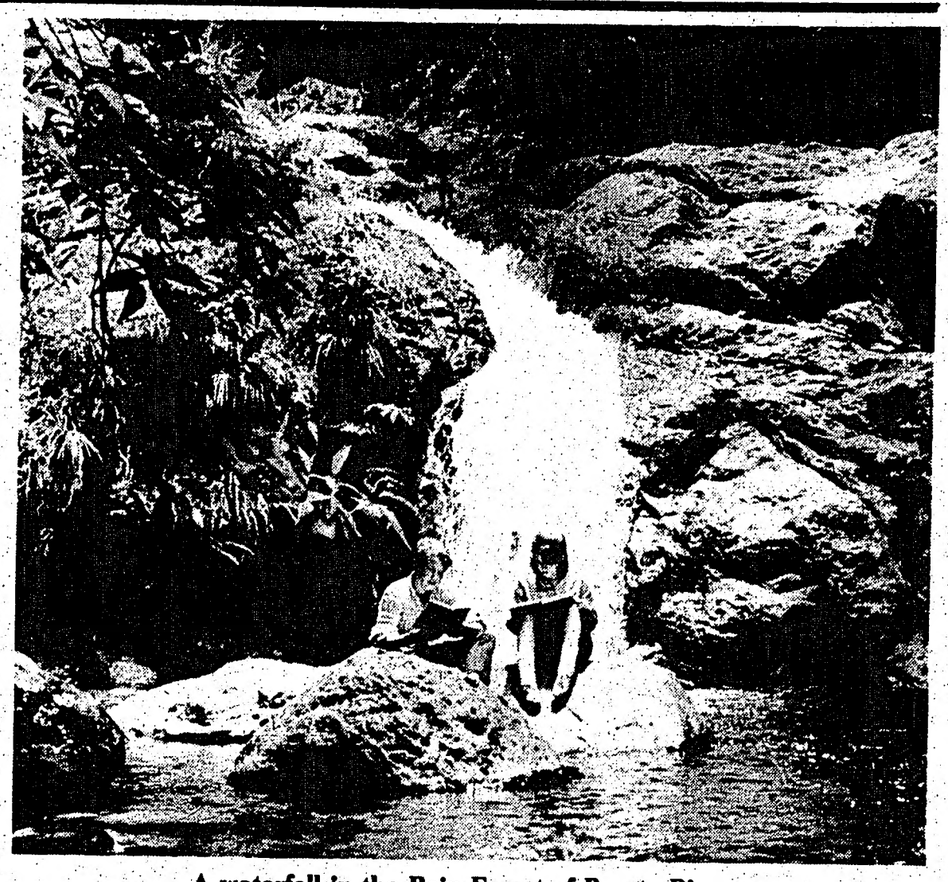
At the hotel all Puerto Rican hotel help is trained and guests are likely to be served by trainees.

On the south coast is the city of Ponce, best known for its colorful firehall. Here fire trucks are kept in a structure painted the colors of the rainbow. The Parque de Bombas is painted red, black, green on yellow, is located on the plaza and was built a century ago as one of a number of exhibition buildings.

Ponce also has a modern Museum of Art on Las Americas Ave. The building has been called the Parthenon of the Caribbean and houses a collection of American and European paintings.

There is a municipal market covering a city block, where you can buy not only handicrafts, food of all kinds but also meet countryfolk who come to sell their varied vegetables and fruits.

Mayaguez is the main city on the island's west coast. A great deal of the famous Puerto Rican rum is produced here. Nearby are orchid nurseries of the United States department of agriculture, coffee plantations, and a fish hatchery.



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Wide, smooth beaches add to lure of Texas island

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, Texas —

A modern 2½-mile (4-km.) causeway with a high bridge section curves over the Laguna Madre from near Brownsville to South Padre Island and Padre Island Seashore National Park. Below as you pass over the high bridge are ocean freighters and fishing boats.

As you near the island there are vast stretches of flat sand beaches, sand dunes and a growing number of accommodations from single family houses to highrise apartment condominiums and hotels.

This is a booming resort area for those who want quiet vacations, good fishing, moderately warm winter weather and cheaper prices than prevail in Florida.

All beaches in Texas are public and on South Padre the beach is wide and smooth. Until the recent building boom there were more sand dunes, the sand held together by outcrops of grass and small shrubs. Today you have to go a bit outside the limits of the resort community to find the dunes on parts of the island.

No cars are allowed on the wide beach within the city limits, making it safe for young and old.

Visitors fish here from shore or from wooden piers stretching quite a ways into the Gulf of Mexico. Boats can be hired for the day or for deep sea fishing.

You'll have a chance to catch sea trout, red fish, flounder, tarpon, bonito, red snapper and sailfish, and this travel reporter has seen fishermen on shore catching small sharks.

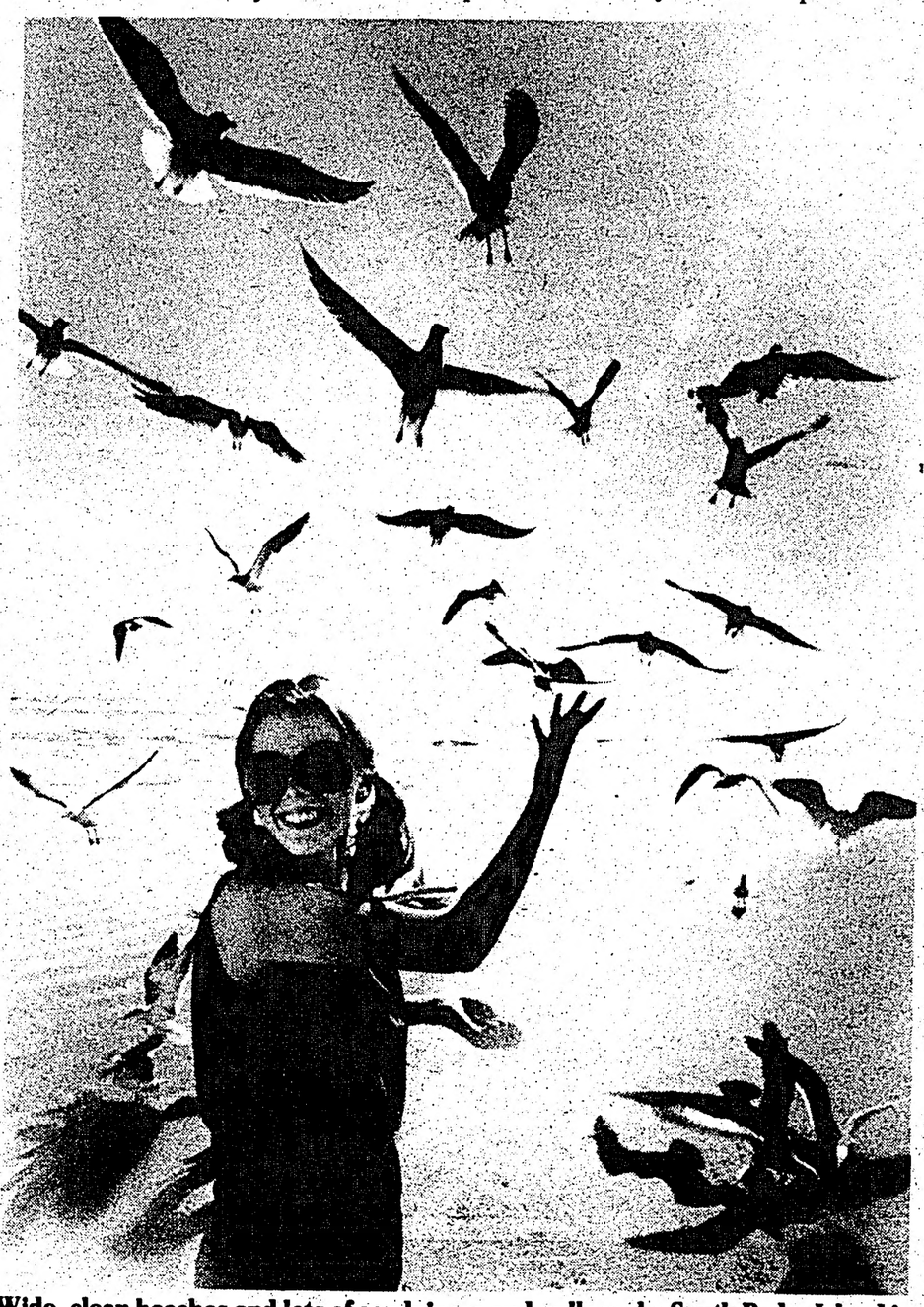
South Padre Island is one of those communities where you will find little organized entertainment. There are a few good small restaurants and a few discotheques. There is swimming in the surf of the Gulf of Mexico or in swimming pools at a number of apartment buildings and hotels.

Hiking is a favorite pastime along the beaches and there are some tennis courts.

There are package tours to this area by air or motorcoach. Trentways Tours, for example, from Toronto has 21-day package bus tours leaving Toronto on Feb. 4 and 25 and March 17, with overnight stops in Ohio, Tennessee, Greenville and Dallas in Texas, three nights in San Antonio, seven nights on South Padre Island, returning vias Houston and Baton Rouge, with stops in the states of Mississippi, Tennessee and Ohio.

Rate in Canadian dollars is $1,670 for single occupancy, $1,200 per person double occupancy, meals extra.

Enroute to South Padre you will pass through Brownsville, most southern city in Texas. Brownsville is an international seaport where you can see ocean freighters and oil tankers from all parts of the world, and some hundreds of shrimp boats which search the Gulf of Mexico for the popular jumbo shrimps.



Wide, clean beaches and lots of sandpipers and gulls make South Padre Island in southern Texas a haven for winter vacationers.

Best known of Brownsville's attractions is the Gladys Porter Zoo, a modern home for endangered wild life species. There are bred gorillas and other types of monkeys as well as various 4-footed animals like Siberian tigers. There are no cages here, but wide moats separate humans from the animals.

The terrain simulates that of the native habitat of the African and Asian animals.

Brownsville is just a short ride or even a walk across an international bridge over the Rio Grande River to Matamoros, Mexico. It cost this travel reporter 10 cents to walk across the bridge into Mexico, just 5 cents to walk back to the U.S.

Matamoros is a typical Mexican town, with several plazas where there are statues of Mexico's heroes of independence, Hidalgo and Juarez.

There is always a bandstand in the plaza, and plenty of benches to rest or meet friends or gossip.

The town has a good market with all kinds of handicrafts and manufactured items from puppets to marble chess sets, from clothing to food, from jewelery to leather goods.

Restaurants range from the sidewalk stand which sells typical Mexican spiced food to first class restaurants where mariachi musicians serenade you while dining on Mexican gourmet dishes.

To travel in the Rio Grande Valley of southern Texas there is only public transportation by bus between communities. You rent cars and there are some sightseeing tours. You can play golf and tennis throughout the area, since winter temperatures will vary from 10 to 24 Celsius (50 to 75 F).

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Escapade

The reasons may vary greatly but Canadians choose Israel

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —
"Destination: Israel."
That appears to be the popular catch phrase this season for Canadian vacationers.

A growing number of them, according to a CJN survey last week of Toronto travel agencies, are choosing Israel as their 1984 holiday spot.

For some travelers, the trip is a reward for extraordinary salesmanship in business. For others, it's the fullfilment of a lifetime dream to dig for archeological artifacts in the Holy Land.

Some wish to celebrate a bar or bat mitzvah atop Mount Masada, prowl the biblical sites of Jerusalem, or simply bask in the sun on the shores of the Sea of Galilee.

Whatever the reason, the travel agencies report that the tourist trade to Israel promises to be prospering this year as never before.

The demand for customized family and group Israeli tours is so brisk that some agencies have set up a new department to handle that specialized area of travel.

Seagram Pearce Travel Ltd., at 112 St. Clair Ave. W. (telephone 923-3666) is one such trend-setter. Six months ago, its Gentile co-owners, Richard Seagram and Donald Pearce, who pride themselves on "flying the carriage trade" to the British Isles and the Orient, hired Gloria Chasson as its Israeli specialist.

Gloria Chasson

"Business has been booming," said Chasson last week. An attractive, culture-minded woman of 43, with a degree in the humanities from York University, she is a board member of Beth Tikvah Congregation and is active in the Jewish community.

"I adore traveling to exotic places, and I've turned my hobby into a career," says Chasson, who has been a professional travel counselor for almost five years.

She has been particularly busy helping families and small groups of "high-profile physicians and academics" to plan tours to Europe and Egypt climaxing in a visit to Israel.

His agency's Israeli bookings were up 30% in 1983 and he expects a similar 30% boost in traffic there this year, says Herb Cyna, owner of Uniglobe Downsview Travel, at 3719 Chesswood Dr. in the Sheppard area [telephone 636-4727].

Herb Cyna

Indeed, his retail travel trade to Israel has been thriving so well, says Cyna, he has now gone into the wholesale trade, also at the same location, to handle group bookings to Israel. To celebrate the inaugural of Discovery Tours, he has invited 80 travel agents to a luncheon seminar on Israel travel to be held Jan. 31 at the Jerusalem Restaurant on Eglinton Ave. W.

Cyna, a Toronto-born travel agent of 43, and active member of the Don Mills B'nai B'rith Lodge, says he has expanded his business in order to service his heavy volume of Israel traffic more efficiently.

"Like many other retailers, I've been frustrated when unable to confirm instantly hotel accommodations in Israel," he explans. "Now, through Unitours, our handling agency in Israel, we can depend on having a certain number of hotel suites blocked off for us."

He expects Discovery Tours to wholesale Negev desert safaris, scuba diving holidays in the Red Sea, group archeological digs and both Jewish and non-Jewish Jerusalem pilgrimages.

Why the recent flurry of interest in Israeli tours?

"A lot of people put off going to Israel because of the volatile situation in Lebanon," he conjectures. "But tourists have evidently accepted that insecurity as a way of life. Now they're less worried and there are no holds barred in their eagerness to visit the Holy Land."

American travelers may brood over the Lebanese unrest, but not Canadians, according to Emile Aufgang, president of Aufgang Travel at 3526 Bathurst [telephone 789-7117].

"I've had only one customer cancel a trip to Israel due to the Lebanese situation, and that was an American," says Aufgang.

Interestingly, he points out, the booking was made by an elderly U.S. physician accustomed to annual holidays in Israel, no matter what.

Emile Aufgang

"He'd booked the trip for his daughter, her husband and three children. And it was his daughter, who'd never been to Israel and was frightened by scare headlines, that canceled at the last minute. For the most part, my Canadian clients aren't bothered by the headlines and I've never had one cancel."

Aufgang, a veteran of the travel business for 23 years, with what he calls a "committed Israel-bound trade" from synagogues and United Jewish Appeal groups, was jubilant about the heavy traffic booked for 1984.

Indeed, he's having trouble finding sufficient hotel accommodations during the week of May 7 when Israel celebrates its Independence Day. For example, he has limited the booking to approximately 30 people for the group accompanying Rabbi Erwin Schild of Adath Israel Synagogue on a 3-week Independence Day deluxe tour from April 30 to May 21.

"It's the 12th trip for Rabbi Schild, who has always sold out in the past," sayd Aufgang. "But with hotel rooms at a premium at that lovely time of year in Israel, I'm reluctant to take chances and overbook."

Aufgang anticipates an increasingly flourishing business in incentive trips to Israel, designed to motivate salesmen in industry.

"That sort of business is considered the cream of the travel trade, and we expect to get more of it for Israel," he says. "Your pre-planning must be flawless when you're dealing with prestigious, high-level corporate executives."

Among other things, Aufgang carefully arranges for pre-registry of rooms, so that salesmen don't have to wait in line at the hotel front desk. Chilled orange juice awaits them at every hotel lobby. And they have a party or special entertainment, he says, arranged for them virtually every night.

All the painstaking pre-planning works, he says. He cites as an example the incentive-reward trip he arranged in 1980 for 100 salesmen of the Toronto-based Atlantic Packaging Co.

"They had such a terrific time in Israel the sales force pledged to increase sales and return for their reward in five years," he says. "The organization has since expanded to 140 crack salesmen and just last week I was asked to book their 1-week mass holiday in 1985."

Canada to participate

OTTAWA —
Louisiana Senator Russell B. Long and Canadian Senator and Minister of State for Social Development Jack Austin jointly announced recently that Canada will participate in the 1984 Louisiana World Exposition.

"The theme of the Louisiana World Exposition, The World of Rivers: Fresh Water as a Source of Life, is of particular interest to Canada because we have more fresh water than any other country in the world," said Senator Austin.

"Rivers have given us great advantages in economic growth; our quality of life is enhanced by our rivers and our inland fishing is a significant industry.

"We must preserve the environment in which our traditional symbol, the beaver, as well as the Arctic char, Alberta whitefish, our Great Lakes sturgeon and our British Columbia trout can flourish," he continued.

A theme of the Canadian Pavilion will feature the extent of Canadian concern about the effect of acid rain on fresh water. Further details of the Canadian exhibition will be given soon.

Peter L. Spurney, president and chief executive officer of the Louisiana World Exposition remarked: "Because of the strong cultural ties between Canada and Louisiana, the Canadian Pavilion will be a focal point of the international participation at the 1984 World's Fair."

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PHOENIX —

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Arizona has several downhill and cross-country ski areas. Located throughout the state, areas are found near Flagstaff (150 miles north of Phoenix); in the White Mountains (about 250 miles northeast of Phoenix); and outside of Tucson.

Ski areas are generally open from November to April and most offer instruction, food and ski rentals.

The beauty of the surrounding San Francisco Peaks, Arizona's highest elevation, provides ideal skiing scenery near Flagstaff. Arizona Snow Bowl offers downhill skiing with one expert and two novice slopes, two chair lifts, one poma and one rope tow.

Sledding tubing nearby

Located in the scenic Kaibab National Forest near Williams, Bill Williams ski area is open weekends when snow permits. Bill Williams offers a poma lift and nylon rope tow for three different runs, and snow lovers will also enjoy nearby sledding and tubing.

In addition to downhill activities, the Flagstaff area is a favorite for cross-country skiing. Mormon Lake Ski Touring Centre at Mormon Lake [about 25 miles south of Flagstaff], is a great place for beginners and intermediates with 19 miles of trails. Also at Mormon Lake is Montezuma Ski Nordic, with specialized advanced trails and general courses.

For the traveler with more than skiing on his mind, Flagstaff offers many nearby attractions and activities. Only 78 miles to the north is the Grand Canyon, and scenic Sedona/Oak Creek Canyon, Petrified Forest National Park, the Painted Desert, Meteor Crater, and Indian ruins at Wupatki and Walnut Canyon are within a short drive.

Many skiers may even choose to stay in Phoenix, 150 miles south, and enjoy balmy winter temperatures when not on the slopes.

Massive stands of pine trees make Arizona's White Mountains, in the east-central part of the state, another ideal spot for cross-country and downhill skiing. A favorite among families, Greer ski area in Greer offers beginner and intermediate runs with a poma lift and shorter handle tow. Cross-country skiing at Greer features six loops of trails.

Nearby is Sunrise ski area, located on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation. Sunrise can accommodate thousands of skiers daily with two triple chair lifts, three double chair lifts, two T-bars, and a rope tow. The rapidly expanding area plans to add additional lifts and runs and features slopes for any level skier as well as snowmaking equipment.

In addition to fine skiing, the White Mountain area offers scenic pine forests and numerous mountain lakes and streams. Outdoor sports are popular in the area, including fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, camping, hiking and more.

Cross-country skiing is also available at Forest Lakes ski area and Alpine Ski Tours. The Forest Lakes area is 36 miles northeast of Payson near the Mogollon Rim, a steep escarpment crossing east-central Arizona for more than 200 miles. Near the state's eastern border, Alpine offers 40 miles of trails.

The southernmost ski area in the United Sates can be found at Mount Lemmon Ski Valley, 30 miles northeast of Tucson. Within the majestic Santa Catalina Mountains, the area has one chair lift, serving intermediate and advanced slopes, and two surface lifts for beginners.

Like Phoenix, Tucson offers Mount Lemmon skiers the amenities of a metropolitan centre and mild temperatures to enhance apres-ski activities.

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Escapade

Noisy, wild Rio starts to beat as city goes crazy for carnival

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

RIO DE JANEIRO — If you are looking for an exciting vacation, come to this vast sprawling city on South America's east coast. And the most exciting time to come is during the pre-Lenten carnival when Rio is at its noisiest, wildest and different from any other big city you have ever visited.

The carnival hits its peak the first few days of March, ending this year on Ash Wednesday, March 7.

For months groups of Cariocas, as the people of Rio call themselves, have been going to school — samba school — to learn the intricate steps to dance for the miles of rhythmic music of the big parades which go on for days and nights. This is exciting, footstomping, handclapping contagious music. You can't resist it — this travel reporter on a recent trip was fortunate enough to attend a samba school session in hot and muggy Rio.

Costumes like this abound during Rio's carnival.

Not only is the music exciting, the costumes are even more so. They are gaudy, with big feathered headdresses and often little else. The costumes on others are sparkling, glistening beadwork that shines like diamonds as the bodies sway to the music.

Everyone is trying for some of the prizes given for originality.

The promenade along the famed Copacabana Beach and the main streets like Rio Branca, Avenida Presidente Vargas, and Rua Marquis de Sapucai are lined with spectator stands from early evening till early morning hours, despite the heat, which gets close to 40 Celsius (105 F) even after dark.

The dancing parades go by to the music of accompanying bands.

Most visitors to Rio come to see and use its beaches, which front the Atlantic Ocean.

Best known are Copacabana, which also has the highest concentration of hotels facing it, Leblon, Ipanema and Leme, all in the south zone of the city.

There are no hours when these beaches are entirely empty. They are at their most crowded in the morning and afternoon, with briefly clad young women, football or volleyball playing young men, children and older people at all times, and early in the morning with fishermen coming ashore to sell their catches of fish to housewives and maids.

There is much to see and do in Rio.

The sightseeing will include trips up two mountain peaks seemingly rising out of the ocean, Sugar Loaf and Corcovado. Sugar Loaf is a cable car trip in two stages. The first stage is up a small mountain, from where another cable car swings out over a forest to reach the top. When you look at it, the ride looks scary. But they have never had an accident. I've made the trip several times, for the view is wonderful over the whole sprawling city and harbor.

On the second stage you swing over a forest valley, hundreds of feet below. Where else can you get such an exciting ride with about 30 other people crowded together in the glass and metal carriage . . . for so small a fee!

Corcovado is a peak on the opposite side of the bay on which Rio is located. You can go up by taxi or private car on a climbing, winding road, or take a small cogwheel train which goes straight up.

If you go by car, just hope the car has good brakes. (My taxi driver on one trip stopped every few minutes on the way up, got out of the car, put bricks behind the wheels, made adjustments, and then went on up!) The view from the top is worth the excitement.

Be sure to visit the Botanical Gardens with its magnificent avenues of tall royal palms and some 5,000 species of tropical trees and plants, 900 varieties of palm trees alone. Nearby is Tijuca National Forest, with waterfalls and jungle growth.

Take the time to go to Petropolis, the mountain resort town inland from Rio, where Brazil's 19th century emperor Pedro had a palace to escape the heat of the coast. The palace is now a museum open to the public, reached by a winding climbing highway into the forested mountains. The ride is spectacular.

The shopping in Rio is varied. Gem stones are a specialty, but know what you are buying.

Taxis are inexpensive. Be prepared to carry big wads of Brazilian currency, because the inflation rate is very high.

[Rio has a number of synagogues, mostly Orthodox and Conservative, both Sephardi and Ashkenazi, as well as cultural organizations, schools and daily Jewish newspapers.]

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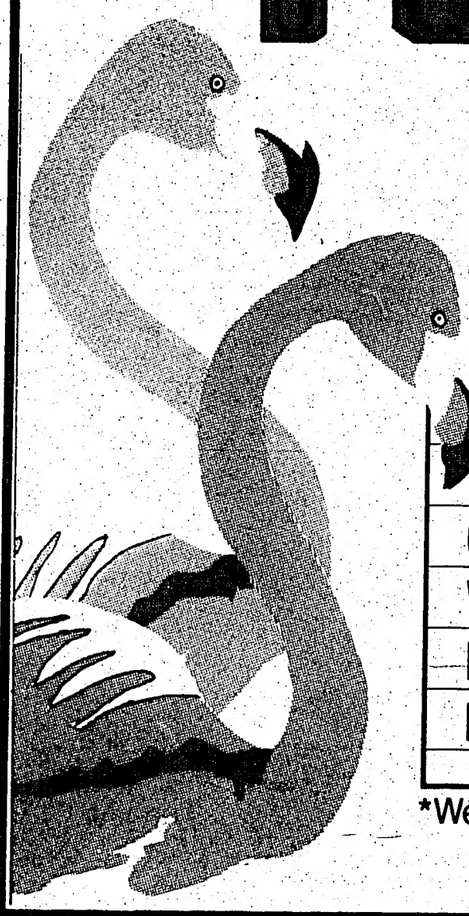

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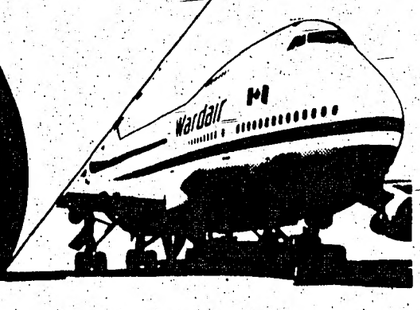

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Yad Vashem opens art museum

Holocaust display leaves visitors stunned, drained

By
FRANK RASKY

JERUSALEM —

This is definitely art for art's sake. No isms, no styles or schools. No well known names.

Often the artists risked their lives by recording their surroundings. If they were discovered, the price was death. But they were driven to draw, to paint, to sculpt, so that the world would know.

Yad Vashem, Israel's memorial to the Holocaust on Jerusalem's Mount Herzl, has recently opened an art museum to exhibit works produced by inmates of the concentration camps during World War II.

Yad Vashem — "a place and a name . . . an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off," Isaiah 56:5 — is visited by virtually every tourist to Israel. The impressive layout of the memorial complex and the permanent exhibit leave a lasting impression.

The new art museum adds a poignant dimension. It converts the documentary and photographic evidence of the Holocaust into a stunning series of personal artistic testimony which leaves the visitor stunned and drained.

At Theresienstadt, the Nazis "model" ghetto, Jewish artists were compelled to produce representations of the camps for propaganda purposes. This gave the artists access to paper and drawing instruments with which to produce their own testimony.

"I still hear voices" remembers a painter who survived. "You will live. Paint us, so at least we'll live on paper."

Survival on paper was, for most of the artist-inmates, the only life granted them. For us, a glimpse into these years, reveals dormitories crowded with bunks, inmates in their striped uniforms; exhausted, emaciated.

Yet, in spite of the despair and horror, here and there, a note of humor.

In addition to Theresienstadt, sections of the museum are devoted to art produced by inmates of Auschwitz, Bergen-Belsen, Dachau, the Warsaw, Lodz and Vilna ghettoes, as well as dozens of smaller concentration and internment camps.

Since Yad Vashem was founded 30 years ago, the documents, objects, relics and bequests it has collected include over 2,000 works of art, 300 of which are exhibited in the new museum.

Before he was gassed at Auschwitz, Czech artist Karel Fleischmann drew this charcoal sketch of infirmary children in a concentration camp. It is exhibited in new art gallery at Israel's Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum.

Curator Irit Salmon-Livne points out that this collection is without precedent, considering the death sentence threatening the artists if discovered.

After the war, some of the works were recovered by the artists themselves returning to the camps, or by others who by chance found work hidden in cans, behind walls, under floors.

Some art appears on envelope backs, tiny scraps of paper; some on real canvas.

Many of the artists who survived stopped creating after the war. Many who did not survive displayed exceptional talent, and would no doubt have found their niche as artists after the war.

A special area of the museum is devoted to art done by children in the camps. After the pervasive greyness of the adult works, here is an explosion of color — an optimistic world as only children could conceive it.

This section of the museum is to many, the most poignant: a searing memorial to the 1.5 million Jewish children murdered by the Nazis.

Assistant curator Ilana Guri reports that most visitors to Yad Vashem find the art museum as impressive as the documentary exhibition.

The museum has published a catalogue in Hebrew, English, French and German.

The museum is open weekdays from 9 to 5, Friday from 9 to 1, and closed on Saturdays.

Yad Vashem is easily reached by taxi or bus, 10 minutes from downtown Jerusalem, and is included in most inclusive tours to Israel.

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U.S. gas drop seen as teaser

TORONTO —

According to the United States Travel and Tourism Administration, as well as oil industry analysts, the continuing drop in U.S. gasoline prices is expected to encourage more Canadian travelers to enjoy spontaneous, short excursions and weekend vacations, across the border to U.S. destinations.

U.S. gasoline prices have fallen an average of 2.4 cents (U.S.) a gallon since August. California enjoyed the sharpest decline with 6.4 cents (U.S.) a gallon.

The reductions vary widely by area, but some of the largest cuts seem to be in the south and Midwest states. That will be good news for those Canadian vacationers who continue to rely on the family auto to reach their U.S. holiday destinations.

The national average (as of November of 1983) for all gasoline (regular and unleaded) was $1.228 (U.S.) a gallon, compared with $1.252 (U.S.) a gallon, in August, 1983.

"Certainly this is a comforting change from the higher gas prices per litre in Canada, which can average $2 or more a gallon," said William Tolson, the United States Travel and Tourism Administration director for Canada. "U.S. gas prices and the close proximity to the U.S. make a spontaneous auto visit to the U.S. a bargain!"

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Won acceptance from Christians

Louisiana town names demonstrate Jewish influence

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

NEW ORLEANS — Louisiana's estimated 16,000 Jews, who comprise 0.4% of its total population, seem to have had a disproportionate influence on that U.S. southern state.

Travel across Louisiana and you will come upon a surprising number of towns with Jewish-sounding names.

But this phenomenon is no news to Cesil Levin, a 5th generation Louisianan whose uncle, Solis Seiferth, designed the state capital building in Baton Rouge, the tallest in the country, for Huey Long, the populist governor.

Levin, a diminutive lady who teaches a course on Louisiana's Jewish history at Tulane University here, said in a recent interview that European and West Indian Jews arrived in Louisiana in the 18th and 19th centuries and spread throughout the territory — which was purchased by the U.S. from France in 1803.

They settled in New Orleans, the biggest city, and the community produced such men as Judah Benjamin, a state senator and Confederacy stalwart, and Henry Hyams, a lieutenant-governor.

The early pioneers also found their way to the back country, where cotton, rice and sugar cane were grown in great abundance.

These Jews opened general stores, became hotel keepers and ferryboat owners, went into the cotton factoring business, operated sugar and rice mills, farmed the land and practiced their trade as tailors.

Although anti-semitism reared its ugly head in this century, 19th century Louisiana Jews won acceptance from their Christian neighbors, and the mixed marriage rate was quite high.

"Many of these small towns had Jewish mayors, bank presidents," said Levin. "They were big men in these towns."

Often, Jewish men married Gentile women, and their children were raised as Christians. "All along the bayous [the sluggish streams which crisscross Louisiana] you'll find priests with names like Levy, Goldstein and Schwartz," she said.

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In ticking off a list of towns which have Jewish names, Levin began with Geismar.

• Geismar was named after Louis Geismar, a German immigrant who established a store and plantation in the 1880s. When the railway from New Orleans to Memphis opened in 1889, the station was called Geismar. Eventually, a town grew around it.

No Jews live in Geismar today, but the Geismars still own the plantation.

• Klotzville is named for Solomon Klotz, who came to Louisiana when he was 19, in the wake of the Franco-Prussian War. According to Levin, he made a fortune as an insurance broker.

• Kaplan, in the parish of Vermillion, memorializes Abraham Kaplan. He pioneered the development of the rice industry, draining thousands of acres of marsh land and building hundreds of miles of irrigation canals.

The Kaplan family, which gave the town its swimming pool and municipal library, still lives there.

• Hahanville, which is southwest of New Orleans, is named for Michael Hahan, a native New Yorker. Levin claims that when he was named governor of Louisiana in 1884, he thus became the first American Jew to hold such a position.

An ardent opponent of slavery, he was installed as governor just after the turbulent Reconstruction era, when the south was under the heel of Union politicians.

• Rosa, in the parish of St. Landry, is named after Rosa Godchaux, a member of a pioneer sugar-growing family. When the Texas & Pacific Railroad inaugurated a line through Leon Godchaux's depot, he gave the company the land. "Name it Rosa, for my daughter," he reportedly said, according to American Jewish Landmarks.

There is a village in eastern Louisiana called Sondheimer, but Levin does not know how it got its name.

Indeed, Levin is sure other towns in the state were founded by, and named for, Jews. But she cannot document her assumption because she lacks the funds to carry out the required research.

However, she is quite familiar with the long lost saga of Sicily Island.

Sicily Island, 300 miles north of New Orleans, was the site of an ill-fated Jewish agricultural colony created in 1881 on 450 acres by the Foreign Mission Society. It was sponsored by Alliance Israelite, the French organization.

The colonists were Russian Jews from Kiev and Elizabethgrad and none had ever farmed before. Despite the odds they faced, they persevered, cultivating fruit and vegetables, digging wells and building cottages for their wives and children waiting for them in New Orleans.

After a few months, Levin said, about half the men left, discouraged by the heat, malaria and hard work. In 1885, the Mississippi River flooded and destroyed the colony.

And so ended what Jewish historians usually call The Experiment of the Sicily Island Colony.

Judaica exhibit largest in world

MIAMI BEACH — **What is believed the largest and most significant collection of Judaica in the world is now at the Bass Museum of Art at 2100 Collins Ave.**

The exhibition of more than 350 objects illustrates Jewish life in Central Europe from the Middle Ages through the 20th century.

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The items were originally intended by the Nazis to be placed in "a museum of an extinct race." Most of the exhibits were confiscated in the area of the Czechoslovak Republic and now are permanently housed, when not on loan, at the State Jewish Museum in Prague. Included are some of the oldest known Judaic textiles and paintings.

The exhibition was at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, moving from there to Miami Beach where it will be on display for eight weeks till March 18.

An admission fee of US$3 has been announced and some 15,000 advance reservations have been made. It is expected 100,000 people will visit the Judaica exhibit, The Precious Legacy.

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Laurentian slopes attract avid skiers

By JAMES MONTAGNES

STE. AGATHE, Que. — This small town in the heart of the Laurentian Mountains north of Montreal is one of the popular winter skiing spots along the 6-lane Laurentian Autoroute. It was first settled in 1850 and in recent decades has become a resort area both in winter and summer.

Thousands of years ago great glaciers swept down the North American continent and carved out valleys, gouged out lake beds and piled up foothills around tall rangy peaks in a region now known as one of the best ski areas in North America.

Just 40 minutes away from Montreal, along the Laurentian Autoroute — keep small change handy for the automatic toll collection points — past thick stands of pine trees and small villages lies St. Saveur. The village has only 2,400 year-round residents but the population swells to staggering proportions when weekending Montrealers and others from Ontario and nearby states south of the border arrive to sample the skiing and check out the fine food and hospitality of its resorts and cafes.

Nearby is the town of Shawbridge where North American skiing began in 1932 when an enthusiast attached a rope to an old car engine and so found the means by which skiers could be carried to the top of a small mountain.

Today there are about 30 ski centres north of Montreal with ski lifts of all types where the beginner as well as the expert can enjoy the sport.

The tremendous choice of accommodations offered in the area has helped to make the Laurentians famous among ski buffs. They range from comfortable, inexpensive pensions for the budget-conscious to deluxe hotels with every conceivable facility for indoors and outdoors amusement and evening entertainment by name stars of stage, screen and television.

The resorts provide expert instruction for all categories of skiers. All have ski shops and equipment rental services. They also have ice skating, tobogganing and sleigh rides, some have indoor swimming pools, curling rinks and skidoo cruising areas.

Singsongs are popular in evenings not only at resort hotels, but also in bars and inexpensive restaurants — part of the apres-ski life.

And for those who do not get enough of daytime skiing, many of the communities now have lighting for night skiing.

The food is generally good at most resorts and restaurants, often Quebecois cuisine. For gourmands there is luxurious fine cooking at such resorts as L'Esterel on Lac Ouimet [exit 69 on the Laurentian Autoroute] and La Sapiniere at Val-David [exit 76 on the Autoroute]. This travel reporter can attest to the excellent cuisine at both places.

Along the Laurentian Autoroute there are ski centres of Piedmont, St. Adele, St. Donat, Val Morin, Mont Gabriel and Ste. Marguerite. Father north, but still within 80 miles (128 km) of Montreal are such resort towns as St. Jovite, and Mont Tremblant where the skiers can start their downhill run at 3,000 feet (914 metres), the highest point in the Laurentians.

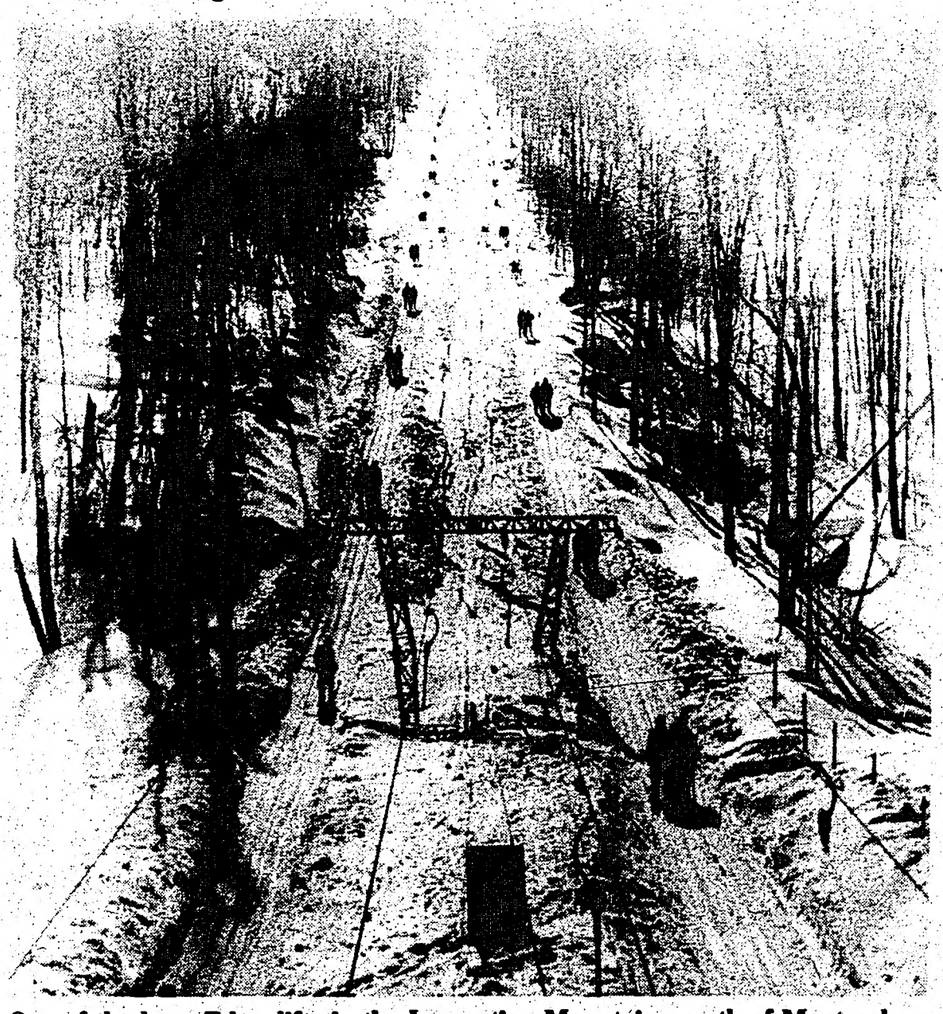
All the Laurentians resorts offer special ski packages and ski weekends, including expert instruction and special evening entertainment. Your travel agent, bus companies and VIA Rail can give you detailed information. VIA Rail has special ski trains out of Montreal on various days of the week.

Some of the resorts have been operating since before World War II. For instance La Sapiniere at Val David has been in operation since 1936. Gray Rocks Inn at Mont Tremblant on Lac Ouiment has been in operation since 1906 as a summer and winter resort, and has its own flying field.

Also in the Mont Tremblant area are two other resorts, Cuttle Tremblant Club and Manoir Pinoteau which were in operation in 1939 before the first ski lift was built on Mont Tremblant. L'Esterel on Lac Ouimet dates back to 1958.

Ski lift tickets are often interchangeable between resorts at any one community so as to give every skier a chance at different slopes. They range in price from $10 daily per person, to $12 at Val David and Ste. Adele, $13 at Gray Rocks, $17 at St. Saveur and $19 at Mont Tremblant.

Cross-country ski trails have been laid out throughout the Laurentian area for the ski buffs who prefer traveling at a level instead of speeding downhill.



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By
JAMES MONTAGNES

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Spring comes early along this strip of coast and by mid-February the whole countryside as far as you can see, is covered with almond blossoms. It is not only beautiful to see but also to smell. And the sun shines almost every day — so you can hike the roads between villages, see cork trees, pastel colored or whitewashed houses and commercial buildings, look down at wide beaches with, here and there, fishing boats bringing in a catch from the sea.

At Praia da Roche and several other towns with 5-star hotels you'll find golf courses and tennis courts, you'll be able to rent boats for deepsea fishing or horses for a riding trip.

History is all about for here along the coast and especially at Cape St. Vincent many of Portugal's 15th and 16th century navigator-explorers were trained.

At Cape St. Vincent this travel reporter visited the museum which recalls the days when Prince Henry the Navigator held his navigation school at this most western point in Europe in the mid-15th century. Here were trained Vasco da Gama and Columbus who between them sailed much of the till then unknown world.

At nearby Sagres are fine beaches, and boat captains who will take you out to sea to catch swordfish, blue and white marlin. The rocky islands off shore are excellent for snorkeling, an art not known to the famous 15th century Portuguese seamen.

You can drive your own car or rent a car and guide as I did, and get a good look at all the small towns along the coast till the Portuguese-Spanish-border near Monte Gordo.

Along the 15 miles [24 km.] of beach near Lagos are grottos and caves which you can visit by boat. In the clear water below the rocks and inside the caves you can see silvery fish swimming in large schools, clearly visible against the yellow sand below.

Not far away is Portimao where you can let your imagination run wild, for history relates that it was called Portus Hannibals in ancient times. And that recalls that Carthaginian general Hannibal was here some 2,200 years earlier with his North African soldiers.

Close by are modern de luxe hotels with swimming pools and golf courses and the long stretches of beach of Praia da Rocha.

If you happen to be in the Algarve early in February or in mid-August, you can attend the market fairs at Albufeira with its white-washed houses and graceful chimneys. A modern villa development was opened there a few years ago, and entire homes or apartments can be rented for anywhere from a week to several months.

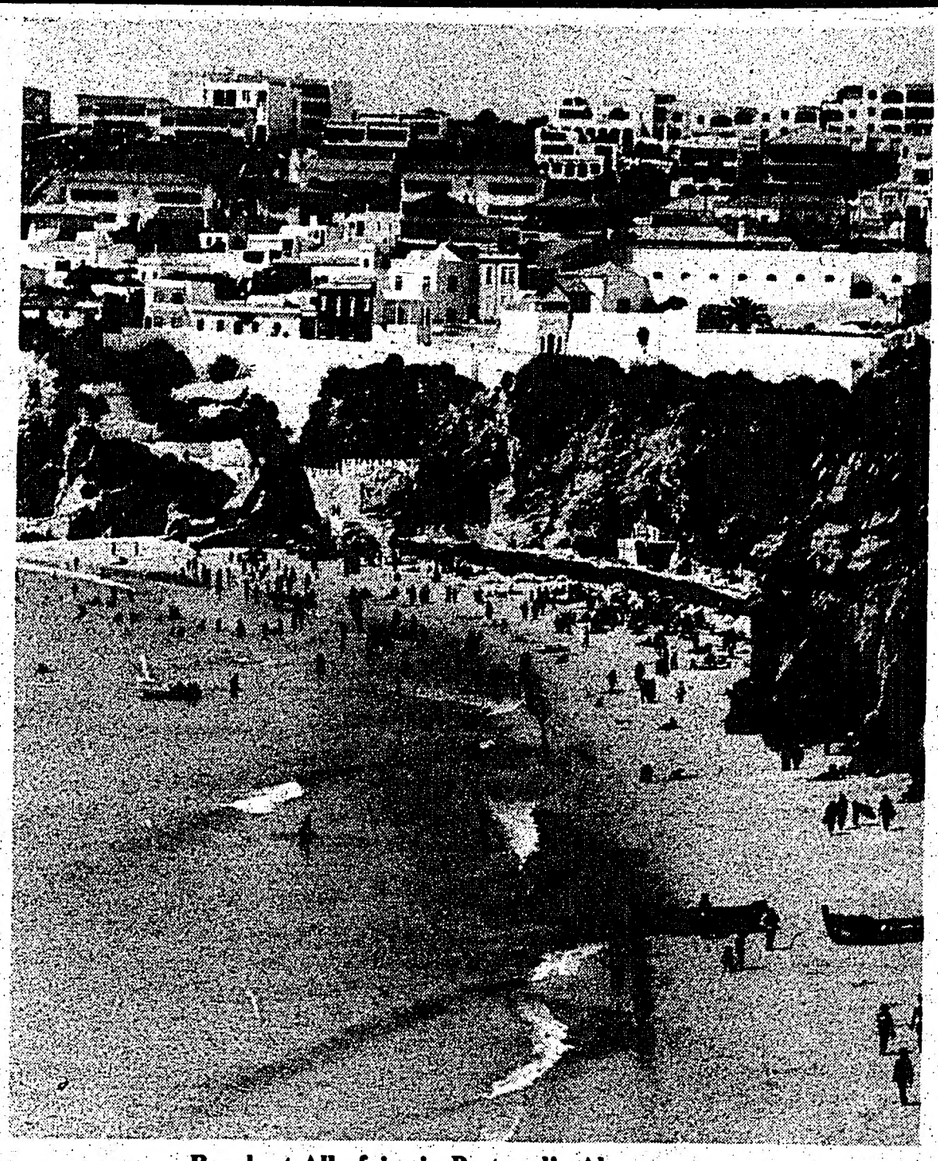
There is an international airport at the Algarve's largest town, Faro. This was a famous religious centre in medieval times with a number of fine churches, monuments and museums. Some of the most beautiful architecture to be seen in the Algarve is in Faro, the capital of the Algarve province.

At nearby Olhao is some of the most unusual architecture in the region. The houses have roof terraces, on top of which are small cubic belvederes, lookouts for a view of the ocean or the rugged hills to the north. It is known as the Cubist Market Town and the birthplace of Portugal's greatest poet, Joan Lucio.

There are many other towns along the southern coast, each with some historical or architectural interest, and practically all with good short roads to nearby beaches.

To reach the Algarve there is daily air service from Lisbon to Faro; there are several daily trains from Lisbon across the low mountains to the communities along and near the coast, coach services and rental car services.

The recently devalued Portuguese escudo has made the area one of the least expensive in Europe for Canadians.



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The Maple Leaf signals Canada Time in Williamsburg

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. —

Canada Time, an annual spring holiday for travelers from Canada, has been set for March 10-25 in Williamsburg.

The 2-week festival of special events, discounts and value-added activities will be sponsored by the Williamsburg Area Tourism and Conference Bureau for the seventh year.

Each year, the Canada Time program has grown in scope and variety, and it has found a steadily increasing participation on the part of Canadian visitors.

Throughout the 2-week period, Canadians may register at the Colonial Williamsburg Visitor Centre for 2-night package holidays to be given away for the 1985 Canada Time. The red-and-white Maple Leaf flag will fly along side the Stars and Stripes in picturesque Merchants Square on Duke of Gloucester St. and elsewhere in the city, and it will be carried by special color guards during parades and other ceremonies held during Canada Time.

A number of hotels, motels, restaurants and other area businesses will offer special discounts to traveling Canadians during the festival. A grand opening event is planned for the weekend of March 10-11.

Of prime interest during Canada Time will be the area's principal attractions. These include the Historic Area of Colonial Williamsburg, 173 acres of the original 18th-century town plan, featuring many preserved and restored buildings and shops, costumed employees, and special activities; fabled Jamestown Island, site of the first permanent English settlement in the New World, and the neighboring Jamestown Festival Park; the grand battlefield of Yorktown, where British Lord Cornwallis surrendered his beseiged army to the allied American and French forces under George Washington; and the nearby Yorktown Victory Center.

These attractions compromise the well known Historic Triangle of Virginia — three critical land areas where the fledgling American presence grew from settlement to maturity to independence.

Canadians who remain past Canada Time's official dates will enjoy weekend visits to the nostalgic village areas of England, France, Germany, Italy, Scotland and French Canada.

Leonardo DaVinci's Garden of Inventions, the renowned Loch Ness Monster rollercoaster, great shows and reviews and other experiences complement the shopping and ethnic dining opportunities of Busch Gardens.

Other events during Canada Time will include an 18th century comedy on Saturday, March 10, 17, and 24; kite-flying on Monday, March 19; "An Evening of Military Life," a participatory program centred on the soldier's life during the American Revolution, on Wednesday, March 21; Saturday night candlelight tours of the colonial capital on March 17 and 24; and a lively concert of ballads and madrigals in the capital on Sunday, March 25, the closing day of Canada Time.

The costumed militia company and its corps of field music will present salutes to Canada on Tuesday, March 20, and Friday, March 23, during Canada Time. There will also be music recitals at Bruton Parish Episcopal Church Tuesday and Saturday evenings and "Music for Canadians," and Sunday afternoon concerts for guests of the Williamsburg Inn on March 11, 18 and 25.

For further information regarding Williamsburg's Canada Time, contact Travel U.S.A., 2 Carlton St., Toronto M5B 1K4, Telephone (416) 964-3094.

Florida travelers offered car deal

SKOKIE, Ill. —

Airways Rent A Car of Illinois, owned and managed by the Zaransky family, has introduced a "mini-lease" for Florida-bound vacationers to the Fort Lauderdale and Miami areas during the winter months.

Airways chairman David A. Zaransky is a Chicago philanthropist-businessman active in Jewish Federation and Israel Bond activities for more than two decades. He said that winter vacationers who wish to avoid driving their own automobiles to southern Florida can obtain short-term leases ranging from one or more months at newly-opened Airways offices in Fort Lauderdale.

Zaransky and sons Michael and Steven, president and vice-president, respectively, also are seeking experienced automobile rental or leasing operators in Toronto and Montreal who would want to become part of the expanding Airways rent-a-car system.

Canadians wanting additional information about southern Florida mini-lease automobiles with prices as low as $300 per month, fully equipped, can call collect to the Airways executive offices in Skokie at (312) 675-7300 or in Fort Lauderdale at (305) 581-7288.

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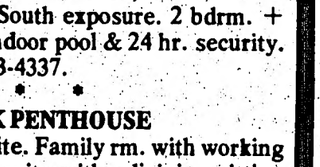

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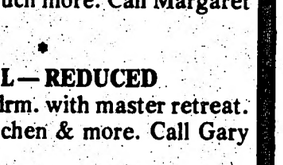

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Olanow, Paul S. January 11, 1984, in New York City. Beloved son of David & Julia Lazar Olanow. Brother of Mrs. Carl (Wende) Block & Mrs. Joseph (Donna) Liebergall, dear friend of Mark G. Stern. Funeral services took place in Buffalo, New York. Etkin-Rein Funeral Service, Inc., Directors.

OBITUARIES

Fanny Falbish on Jan. 9, 1984, late of #904, 535 Sheppard Ave. W., Downsview, Ontario.
Aron Ferstenfeld on Jan. 11, 1984, late of 241 Acton Ave., Downsview, Ontario.
Eva [Rubin] Folk on Jan. 9, 1984, late of #715, 515 Chaplin Cres., Toronto, Ontario.
Abraham Gerszonowicz on Jan. 10, 1984, late of 45 Wigan Cres., Downsview, Ontario.
Fanny Herzog on Jan. 5, 1984, late of 501 West 123 Street, New York City, N.Y. 10027.
Annie Kirshenblatt on Jan. 10, 1984, late of 714 Briar Hill Ave., Toronto, Ontario.
Rose Komenar on Jan. 2, 1984, late of 77 Idyle Place, Fort Erie, Ontario.
Victor Leffell on Jan. 9, 1984, late of 947 Castlefield Ave., Toronto, Ontario.
Rose Many on Jan. 5, 1984, late of Baycrest Nursing Home, Toronto, Ontario.
Fanny Silman on Jan. 1, 1984, late of Baycrest Home for the Aged, Toronto, Ontario.
Phillip Szwaicer [Switzer] on Jan. 6, 1984, late of Baycrest Nursing Home, Toronto, Ontario.
Naum Talalay on Jan. 6, 1984, late of 307 Rosemary Rd., Toronto, Ontario.
Carolyn Rosenberg on Jan. 9, 1984, late of 125 Sandringham Dr., Downsview, Ontario.
Fajwell Unglik on Jan. 4, 1984, late of #302, 53 Neptune Dr., Toronto, Ontario.

BENJAMIN'S PARK MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Cohen, Lilian on January 12, 1984, late of 2121 Bathurst St., Apt. 722, Toronto, Ont.
Golberg, Samuel on January 11, 1984, late of 2045 Finch Ave. W., Toronto, Ont.
Klompus, Betty on January 13, 1984, late of 3000 Bathurst St., Apt. 507, Toronto, Ontario.
Steingold, Esther on January 13, 1984, late of Lincoln Place Nursing Home, Toronto, Ont.
Taufer, Sam on January 6, 1984, late of 775 Steeles Ave. W., Apt. 706, Willowdale, Ontario.
Traves, Esther on January 12, 1984, late of Baycrest Hospital, Toronto, Ontario.
Wright, Ruth on January 17, 1984, late of 41 Oak St., Apt. 803, Toronto, Ont.

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Hebrew University of Jerusalem chancellor Avraham Harman, left, with John White, admiring art of Inuit artist.

Library given support by Canadian publishers

TORONTO — The Canadiana collection at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem's Bloomfield Library on Mount Scopus is growing nicely thanks to recent donations from many Canadian publishers, reports an official of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

From firms like McClelland and Stewart and Avon Books of Canada to houses like House of Anansi Press Ltd. and Exile, books on a wide variety of subjects, much needed by the Canadian studies program at the university, have come via the national office of Canadian Friends.

The Canadian studies program makes possible many lectures and visits by Canadian professors to the university each year. It was established several years ago by matching grants from the federal government and Dr. Ralph Halbert of Toronto, national president of Canadian Friends, with his wife, Roz.

During a recent trip to Canada, university chancellor Avraham Harman was presented with two art books for the Canadiana collection, as a gift of former Oakville bookseller John White. The limited edition volumes The Art of Christopher Pratt and Kenojuak each contain several handproduced pages.

Publisher Bernie Loates also recently gave the university The Art of Glen Loates, featuring paintings of Canadian wildlife.

Research opportunity unique at Hebrew U

TORONTO — Prof. E. John Revell, chairman of the Near Eastern Studies department of the University of Toronto, says his participation this year as a fellow at the Institute for Advanced Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem provides him with "a unique opportunity to exchange information with other scholars" in his particular field of expertise — research into the language of the Bible.

Nowhere in the world, says Revell, can one find as complete a collection of biblical manuscripts as is found in the Institute for Microfilmed Hebrew Manuscripts at the Jewish National and University Library (JNUL) on the Givat Ram campus.

This, plus working with seven other fellows from Israel and abroad on language traditions of the Bible, provides him with the scholarly intercourse that, he says, is just not available to him in Toronto.

Through comparison of various texts of the books of the Bible, Revell is able to document changes in biblical language, particularly pertaining to vowels and accentuation.

Sahara sun could power Europe firms

REHOVOT — Sahara sunshine may one day power the factories of Europe if a new concept discussed recently at the Weizmann Institute of Science proves feasible.

The discussion took place within the framework of a workshop on the Economics of the Solar Thermochemical Pipeline, organized by the Weizmann Institute's Centre for Energy Research, headed by Prof. Israel Dostrovsky.

What Dostrovsky and his colleagues are proposing is to take solar energy collected in a desert area (say Israel's Negev, the southwestern part of the United States or the Sahara), transform it into energy-rich chemicals and then pipe those chemicals to industrial regions further to the north where, in yet another transformation with special catalysts, the energy is released as heat for use in manufacturing processes.

Hitherto solar energy was generally used near the spot where it was collected. It can be and sometimes is transformed into electrical energy for transmission, but this results in a 75% loss of energy — a loss which, it is hoped, will be reduced to 25% by using the chemical energy route.

This concept of solar energy use can draw upon the experience of American and German participants in the workshop who have studied the transformation of surplus nuclear energy into chemical energy with the same eventual goal in mind. Indeed, the Germans have even built a 10 megawatt pilot plant in Juelich, near Cologne, where such a process has been successfully demonstrated.

However, solar energy presents additional problems because, unlike nuclear energy, it does not come in a steady flow.

Scientists at the Institute expect to spend three years testing the components of this experimental pipeline — using the central receiver 2-megawatt facility. Then, all being well, a 1-megawatt complete loop will be installed.

Israeli, American and German experts began their discussion at the Weizmann Institute, and then continued them at Ein Bokek on the shores of the Dead Sea. The workshop was sponsored by the Maurice Goldschleger Foundation at the Weizmann Institute and by Israel's National Council for Research and Development.

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